**Blue Arrow** 

convictions

quashed

By Frances GIBB

THE Court of Appeal yester-

day quashed the convictions

of four City advisers who re-

ceived suspended prison sen-

tences after the year-long

Blue Arrow fraud trial. The

other pending Blue Arrow trials now seem likely to be

The Serious Fraud Office said last night that it was urgently reviewing the situa-

tion, but declined to com-

ment on yesterday's ruling before seeing the full judg-

ment. The appeal court is thought to have held that the

defendants' case was prejudiced because the long and complex trial became

unmanageable.
The trial is estimated to

have cost £35 million and the

quashing of the convictions

serious indictment of the han-

dling of the case by the Seri-

ous Fraud Office and the

was being seen last ni

dropped.

Israel puts

temporary

halt on

settlements

FROM RICHARD BEESTON

versing the unpopular settle-ment policy of the outgoing Likud government, Benjamin

Ben-Eliezer, the housing min-

ister gave notice that con-

tracts for existing projects

and those pending were now

contracts and review the

future for an estimated

10,000 additional housing

units already under way, will

be warmly greeted by James Baker, the US Secretary of

State, who arrives in Israel on

Sunday on a tour of the Mid-

dle East intended to inject

new life into his stalled peace

efforts. Israeli officials said they hoped Mr Baker would

use yesterday's decision to try

and win concessions from the

Wayne Owens, a Democrat

from Utah and a member of

the House foreign affairs

committee who met Mr Ra-

bin in Jerusalem yesterday.

predicted that the new gov

ernment's approach to peace-making would almost cer-

tainly open the way for Israel to receive the \$10 billion (£5.2

Arab states on his itinerary.

The decision to halt the new

IN JERUSALEM

Withdrawal angers supporters

## Clinton and Bush scramble for Perot votes

FROM JAMIE DETIMER IN WASHINGTON AND MARTIN FLETCHER IN NEW YORK

THE race for the White several opinion polls which House was transformed showed his support falling dramatically yesterday when Ross Perot, the Texan billionaire, dropped out of the contest because he could not win.

His decision sparked a fierce contest between the Republican Bush camp and the Democrats of Governor Bill Clinton for the votes of Mr Peror's supporters.

Mr Perot paid tribute to Mr Clinton for the way he had "revitalised the Democrats" and said if he were to continue with his own candidacy it would disrupt the American political system.

The withdrawal came only a day after his campaign had been rocked by the resigna-tion of one of his key aides, Ed Rollins, the architect of Ron-ald Reagan's 1984 landslide victory, and in the wake of



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precipitously.

Democrats and Republicans alike were stunned. President Bush appealed to Perot supporters to back his re-election effort. "They should feel at home with us." He telephoned Mr Perot two hours after the Texan howed out and congranulated him on the "excitement he brought" to the 1992 contest.

During nationally television news conference at his Dallas campaign headquar-ters, Mr Perot cited, as his main reason for dropping out, the possibility that his candidacy would result in no candidate securing a majority of electoral college votes. Were the decision to be sent to the House of Representatives for a vote, he said, then the American political system would be badly disrupted. "Since the House of Repre-

sentatives does not pick the president until January, the new president will be unable to use the months of November and December to assem-

He denied that his withdrawal had anything to do with the recent string of sei-backs that had damaged his candidacy or that he was pulling out because of dissention among his staff.
The overwhelming reaction

from Perot volunteers was of degroe. I don't believe the one tar gave. He always knew it could go to the House of Repursentatives." said one. Others spoke of being appalled, suffering "more than a total shock", and being sick over this." An elderly follower said: "We put our heart and soul in it. If Bush wins, I'll never forgive him. I think he's never forgive him. I think he's let us down terribly. Marlin Fitzwater, the

White House press secretary, manediately welcomed "any and all of Mr Perot's supporters". He continued: "We recognise that people turned to Mr Perot as part of their desire for a change in economic policy and we think that they will find their views are closer to ours than to Governor Clinton's."

Although most Perot sup-porters had been Republicans, Ron Brown, the Democratic party chairman, played on their disgust with the status quo that had driven them to Mr Perot in the first place. "Take heart," he told them. "Don't be disappoint-ed. Don't give up and don't ever give in. Join us. Join our crusade to put people first and make America all it can

In a statement. Governor Clinton said: "We have heard their message and shared their hopes. I invite them to join us in our efforts to change our country and give our government back to the

Mr Perot indicated that he would ask the thousands of his volunteers around the country to continue their efforts to get his name on state ballots as a candidate. This, he said, would be a way to represent the level of discontent with "politics as usual". At present he is on 24 state ballots. He praised the volunteers for they had done to be a said they had done to be job" and said they had done

heir patriotic duty. Mr Perot dismissed sugges tions that his campaign, on which he had spent \$10 mil-lion (£5.3 million), had been a waste of time. "Both political parties are now squarely fo-cused on the issues that concem the American people," he pointed out.

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#### Killer drivers to face up to ten years in jail

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

THE maximum prison septence for dangerous or drunk-en drivers who kill is to be doubled to ten years. The move, announced by Kenneth Clarke yesterday, comes after a series of cases raising public concern that existing penalties were too lenient.

The five-year maximum came into force only two weeks ago with the new offence of causing death by dangerous driving, and the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor of Gosforth, suggested earlier this year that the gov-ernment should consider rais-

ing it to ten years. His opinion was endorsed by the home secretary in a Commons written answer yesterday. Those whose dangerous or drunk driving has WOTST CASES.

One of the cases which is understood to have prompted the change was that of a drunken joyrider who killed a teenage courting couple. Ja-son Ewing, 21, had been drinking champagne, vodka, lager and wine when he drove into the couple at 90 mph in Soham, Cambridgeshire. He was jailed for three years.

resulted in the tragic waste of another human life deserve to be punished accordingly," he said. "We are aware of public concern about the gravity of driving in a manner which causes fatal accidents and believe that the current maximum penalty of five years for these offences does not allow the courts adequately to re-flect the seriousness of the

billion) in loan guarantees suspended by the Bush dministration. Mr Ben-Eliezer, whose decision could affect several thousand proposed housing units, said: "The stop is temporary for about a week or so until we have had time to examine the whole situation."

The announcement, condemned by right-wing settler leaders as a "declaration of war", could not have been in Continued on page 18, col 1

#### Germany spares Major interest rate increase

By PHILIP WEBSTER AND WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU

AN early rise in British interest rates appeared to have been staved off yesterday after the Bundesbank ordered only a limited tightening of Ger-

ISRAEL'S new government yesterday took its first step man monetary policy.

The Bundesbank eased pressure on the British govtowards halting the construction of controversial Jewish ernment by increasing by 0.75 of a point its discount rate, its benchmark rate for settlements in the Israeli occupied territories when it banned temporarily the sign-ing of all new building con-tracts in the West Bank and lending to banks, but leaving unchanged the more important Lombard rate, which has Gaza Strip.
In the clearest signal yet greater impact on money markets and represents the that the new administration effective interest-rate floor for of Yitzhak Rabin, the prime each nation in the European minister, is serious about re-

exchange-rate mechanis. The pound, after falling soon floowing the announce-ment, recovered to finish the day on DM2.85. John Major and Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, received the news with relief, and restated their determination to defend the pound and avoid devaluation. A Treasury statement said that the government remained committed to the ERM and to entering its narrow bands in due course at

DM2.95. The Bundesbank's move was seen in London as a response to warnings that higher German rates would have prompted increases across Europe Mr Lamont on Monday took the unusual step of publicly calling on the bank

the current central rate of

not to raise rates. The Bundesbank's raising of the discount rate, quickly followed by the Italians, was

seen as a signal by the bank about the dangers of inflation in the German economy.

and the appeal he made." He added: "This could, within 10

days or so, create massive

The Liberal Democrat

Treasury spokesman, Alan Beith, said: "The Bundesbank is obviously trying to make clear that it is only signalling about inflation dangers in the domestic Ger-

dangers in the domestic Ger-

man economy." The British government was right to re-sist devaluation, but also

needed to strengthen confi-

dence in the economy.

Douglas McWilliams, the
CBΓs chief economic adviser,

said: "The need now is for the

Germans to pay for their uni-

fication by raising their own

taxes and cutting their public

spending, rather than by bor-

rowing and hence putting

see keeping the pound in its

current range against the mark in the ERM as vital for

fighting inflation.

Mr Lamont and Mr Major

pressure on interest rates."

problems for Britain."

The government described the German action as "clearly preferable to a straight increase in the Lombard rate". A Treasury source reported a "big sigh of relief throughout the building when the news came through". The pound's recovery was attributed to market relief over the German decision and to betterthan-expected unemployment and average earnings figures.

Senior government sources went as far as they could to suggest that an interest rate increase was ruled out out for the foreseeable future. Had the Lombard rate gone up, the Treasury would almost certainly have had to follow. The decision meant Tory

M Ps could leave Westminster for the summer recess in better heart than had seemed likely, but it failed to satisfy Euro-sceptics. William Cash Tory MP for Stafford, said: "The Germans are strangling our economy. They are financing their expansion of eastern Europe at the expense of

British home-owners, British interest rates, and British bankruptcies. This is completely unacceptable." Sir Teddy Taylor, of the

Conservative European Reform Group, said: "This is bitterly disappointing for the Chancellor that the Germans should so blatantly be disregarding the advice he gave

#### Rise in jobless slows

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent THE number of people out of 20,400 in May and 42,600

work rose by 7,000 in June, the smallest monthly rise for more than two years, al-though more than 2.7 million people are now claiming unemployment benefit.
The annual rise in average

earnings also slowed, to 6.5 per cent, and there was more overtime working, according

to employment department figures published yesterday. The 7,000 rise in the number of jobless and claiming benefit compares with

in April. Employment offici-als said the underlying rate of increase appeared to have fallen below 25,000 a month. Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, said there would always be a mix of good and bad news, but she described the figures as encouraging. Tony Blair, her Labour shadow, called for government intervention on employment and training.

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#### Computer identifies Russia's royal skeletons

FROM SERGEI MOLOTSOV IN YEKATERINBURG AND BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW

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TODAY'S anniversary of the slaughter of the Russian imperial family has been giveral family has been giveral family. Two weeks ago, a local government official said that the bodies of the en added poignancy by com-puter-aided evidence that a set of bones discovered a

year ago are those of Tsar Nicholas and his family. Officials in Yekaterinburg. near where the bones were found, say they are nearly certain that they are of the tsar, his wife, their five children, a doctor and three servants, who were murdered in 1918. Identification has been helped by computer re-construction of faces from the skulls. The evidence seems to support the belief that the tsar's daughter Anatsar and of his doctor, Sergei Botkin, had been identified beyond all doubt. The final verdict may come at the end of this month when an international group of experts, in-cluding the American anth-

ropologist William Maples. Because the evidence is not yet conclusive, today's religious service and procession around the site of the killings will fall slightly short of the event which many anticipate as the final closing of the Communist chapter in Russian history: the reburial of the royal family with all

the honours of the church and the approval of the Ro-manov family.

Maria Vladimirovna Rom-

anova, heir to the Russian throne after the death of her father, Grand Duke Vladimir Kirillovich in April, has indi-cated that she is is not quite convinced of the skulls' authenticity. She has, however. given her blessing to the plan to build a church where the killings took place. On Wed-nesday, the winning project for the building was announced at a ceremony presided over by Prince Andrei Galitsyn, head of the Russian

Aristocrats' Society. Eduard Rossel, head of Continued on page 18, col 3



. and as the world saw him before his murder

stasia was killed with the rest

#### Silent majority ensures victory for the Mirror's Securitate

BY ALAN HAMILTON

IRREVERENT staff at the Daily Mirror refer to their board of directors as the Securitate. The evil dictator may have gone, but too many of his former henchmen, they believe, survive in their new guise of pained ignorance at the largest fraud perpetrated this century. The "Securitate" had a rough ride at the hands of their electorate yesterday, but the

silent majority won the day. So many disgruntled shareholders and pensioners were expected at the first annual general meeting of Mirror Group Newspapers since Robert Maxwell's drowning that the company hired the Queen Elizabeth II conference centre at Westminster to take up to 1,500 victims of his theft. Barely 300 turned up, but the edge to their ire more than made up

for the empty seats. Early in the proceedings Sir Robert Clark, the merchant banker turned MGN chairman, warned the activists bent on the removal of himself and his fellow-directors that the proxy votes already counted were weighted ten to one in favour of passing the accounts and keeping the board.

Sir Robert, an elegant figure in dark blue suit and blue silk tie, looked like a respectable Tory party vice-chairman up from the shires. The blue background, and the other directors ranged on either side in their Sunday suits, further added to the impression of a conference by the party which the Mirror tradi-

tionally does not support.
But the Tory faithful do not abuse their leaders in public. Sir Robert, having read his 22-page chairman's statement, which may be the longest

in the history of annual reports, was roundly abused. The benefit of hindsight was a phrase which figured frequently in his defence.

Hardly had the three-hour meeting begun when a shareholder in the body of the hall leapt to his feet and suggested two minutes' respectful silence for Maxwell. The meeting, assuming it to be a distasteful joke,

dissolved in disrespectful laughter.
At the end of Sir Robert's review, a shareholder asked why he had not mentioned his own 56 per cent pay rise. "I have not had any increase since April 1991," he retorted. "You should not believe everything you read in the newspapers." Which is rather like the chairman of Unilever saying that Persil occasionally wash-

es a dirty grey.

Joseph Grizzard, a Mirror director in pre-Maxwell days, congratu-

Boy friend

appeals

to trap

one who knows him that no

matter how they feel about

him please come foward be-

fore he destroys another life."

his son Alexander, who was

"bearing up", would remem-

ber little of the attack and had

As police continued to

search the common, a man

was still being questioned by

detectives at a south London

station. He was arrested

shortly after the attack on

Wednesday. Police were giv-

en permission by magistrates last night to hold him for a

Miss Nickelle's parents,

who live at Ampthili, Bed-

fordshire, are on holiday in

Canada. Her brother, Mark,

said that he was still trying to

contact them. Only he and his

grandmother knew of the

death. She was devastated by

Miss Nickelle, 23, was described by neighbours in

Tooting, south London, as a

pretty, smiling girl who was close to her boy friend and

son. She was regularly seen

on the common, sometimes

with another mother, walking

with children and the dog. Melody Weig, Miss Nickelle's friend and mid-

wife, said the couple had been

living together for about four

or five years. Ms Weig, who

had delivered Alexander in a

home birth, said Rachel had been "wonderful as a mother.

Totally natural. She was a strong woman, very capable,

very athletic. She was a swim-

"As always, she looked ab-

solutely stunning. She had

such an easy way with people

- totally exceptional as a person," said Ms Weig.

Miss Nickelle and her son

were attacked as they walked

mer - her mother was a

swimming instructor."

further 24 hours.

the news.

yet to speak about it.

He said it was possible that

lated Sir Robert on "pouring buckets of whitewash over the Maxwell affair, and presenting it as an unformnate accident". This was no whitewash, said Sir Robert, you are employing hindsight again. The next questioner pointed out that even he, a humble pensioner, knew that Maxwell was not the Sugar Plum Fairy.

The attack moved to Joe Haines, Maxwell's political editor on the Mirror and still a board member. The day Maxwell was appointed, Haines called him a crook. Then he dipped his pen in brown ink and wrote a sycophantic biography of him. Can he explain how he so radically changed his views?" Mr Haines remained impassive. Sir Robert ruled the question out of

"We demand a vote of no confi-

woman. Sir Robert smiled sweetly. 'I'm afraid that's out of order as

Several Mirror journalists trooped to the microphone. "You didn't have the courage to stand up to the man. You are doing a disservice by staying; there are certain board members who really should go. You should definitely go, and go now," Tricia Harbord of the Mirror

But Sir Robert had his proxy votes, and outside in the sunshine Marjorie Proops, one of MGN's most venerable properties, posed for photographs. Marie has survived the evil dictator and the Securitate unscathed. They wouldn't have dared lay a finger on her.

MGN shares return, page 19

#### **Ministers** order 2% cut in university pay accord

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

MINISTERS made an unprecedented intervention in university lecturers' pay negotiations yesterday, ordering a cut of at least 2 per cent in an agreement struck ten weeks

vice-chancellors and union representatives had settled on a 6 per cent increase for lecturers, with a further 1 per cent to be allocated later in the year as performance-related pay. As reported in The Times on Monday, both sides were called to a negotiating committee for the first time in four years to be told that the government would

not accept the deal. Nigel Forman, higher edu-cation minister, said that the proposals were "too far out of line" with inflation. He demanded a bigger element of performance-related pay and a reduction in the overall increase before the government would release £24 million held back from the universi-

Ministers refused a request for independent arbitration. which is an option in the negotiating machinery. The vice-chancellors and the Association of University Teachers demanded an immediate meeting with John Patten,

education secretary. Stewart Sutherland, vicechancellor of London University, who led the delegation, said that the decision "leaves the clear question of who manages the universities". It seemed it was no longer the case that universities were free to negotiate pay deals.

knife killer By STEWART TENDLER CRIME CORRESPONDENT THE boy friend of Rachel Nickelle, the woman at-tacked and murdered in front of her two-year-old son on

Wimbledon Common, ap-"We want a high-quality pealed for public help yester-day in finding the killer. product with the quality of staff that requires a decent Andre Hanscombe said salary," he said, adding that that the attack had been so the consequences for staffing ferocious and bloody that the levels and university budgets had been fully considered. killer "could not have walked down the street and not been noticed. I would say to any-

Diana Warwick, general secretary of the association. said that her members would be "furious that a settlement they have already accepted has been rejected on spurious grounds". The union would now consider balloting members on industrial action.

Lecturers calculate that academic earnings have risen by only 10 per cent in real terms since 1979, compared with 58 per cent for average non-manual salaries and 45 per cent for teachers. A pay review body, which has been denied to academics, awarded schoolteachers 7.5 per cent in March.

Sir Pat Lowry, the former chairman of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, who chaired the committee which negotiated the original deal, said that he was "surprised and appalled" by the decision to interfere with an agreement

The Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals said that it was considering whether to seek a judicial review of the decision to reject arbitration.

Jack Straw, Labour education spokesman, said: "It's proof that the government is operating the worst kind of public sector pay policy, not by debate or consent, but by hullving veto."



Murdered: Rachel Nickelle was brutally attacked on a stroll with her son

their black Labrador puppy on the common. She was may have struggled with the attacker as she was assaulted and stabbed. Her son was found by the body dirty, bloody and unable to speak. Another mother stumbled on him as she walked with another woman and their children.

Mr Hanscombe, a motor cycle courier aged 29, said that his son, who had some scratches about the eyes when he was found, has been released from hospital. He was looking after him with

Det Supt John Bassett, heading the murder investigation, said that police had not questioned the child and would only do so when child psychiatrists and doctors said they should. Detectives investigating a series of sex attacks on public footpaths in southeast London were in touch with the officers investigating

their families, themselves," he said. "The RUC has no desire

to see young lives ruined; equally the law must takes its

course when serious crimes

He added: "The police are

seriously concerned that

transporting and planting bombs in built-up areas con-

tains the potential for massive

disaster. Despite their so-

called warnings, which can-

not remotely assuage such activity, the Provisional IRA

is recklessly putting life at real

risk in its campaign against

Belfast and other urban

generally in the province was recorded as lower than any-

where else in England and Wales, rising by only 11 per

Despite the troubles, crime

have been committed."



Distraught: Hanscombe, Rachel's boy friend

Freeing of rapist

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#### **RUC chief condemns** sectarian savagery agers is a tragedy for all concerned — their victims.

IRISH republican and Loyalist paramilitaries were ac-cused yesterday of matching each other in fanatical hatred, blind bigotry and sectar-

ian savagery.
In a condemnation of the guamen and bombers who left 87 dead last year, Sir Hugh Annesley, the RUC Chief Constable, said in his annual report that paramilitary groups on both sides were corrupting and cancerous within their own communities, and degraded the quality of life for all.

He said the number of young people who continued to be drawn into the various organisations through the evil influence of older people was a matter of concern. During the past five years, more than 200 people aged under 17 had found themselves before the courts on terrorist related charges.
"The involvement of teen-

cheese export subsidies.

particular company by name.

more than 16 per cent on the mainland. Irish Dairy Board

A recent article (April 24) said nor did it allege fraud. Though its request for some that, according to a report by the European Community export refunds to be investigated in Dublin is being court of auditors, the Irish followed up, we are asked to make clear, and we accept, that both the board and its Dairy Board and its subsidiary, Kerrygold Ltd., had cheated taxpayers out of more subsidiary. Kerrygold Ltd., strenuously deny making any than Ell million by abusing The court's published refalse or fraudulent claims. We have agreed to pay board's solicitors' costs. port did not criticise any

JUNIOR minister in the Irish government yesterday promised an early report on mandatory jail sentences for rapists after an 18-year-old sex attacker walked free from

court. Women's groups called for mandatory jail sentences after the judge's decision and the 18-year-old woman at the centre of the case said she had been let down by the whole justice system. "I just can't put my life back together again. There is no hope until something is done about this," she said on Irish radio.

William O' Dea, a junior justice minister, said he per-sonally would want to move towards mandatory sentences for rapists. He said the Law Reform Commission would have a discussion paper on mandatory sentences ready in the next eight weeks.

"My own personal preference would be to move in that direction. Maybe not to have a statutory requirement that there be mandatory senrences, but certainly some-thing along the lines of guidelines or directives," he said. "I sincerely hope that the unfortunate victim of this horror can put her life back together," he said.

The Rape Crisis Centre called for mandatory jail sentences for rapists. The woman, from Kilkenny, said

leads to law review after the judge's decision to free the rapist that she felt as if she had been raped again. She spoke of the rape in the early hours of January 1st

> "He raped me not just once but several times and beat me up. He threatened me not to say anything to anybody. My life was turned upside down. When they took me to a doctor she examined me and she found bruises everywhere, on my back, on my face, and on my private parts. I took an overdose at the end of January because I just felt that nothing was going to be done and I just felt so dirty and so guilty that I couldn't go on with my life anymore."

The young woman said she wanted to do the same after the court's verdict. "I had to be removed from the court. I just sat there and cried and I got very, very upset. I just couldn't believe it. He might as well have raped me again. I felt like I should never have reported it in the first place."

Mr Justice Feargus Flood adjourned sentence for a year on William Conry, from Jenkinstown, co. Kilkenny, after he pleaded guilty to raping the woman on January last. The woman had to be helped from the Central Criminal Court in Dublin when the judge freed the rapist on Wednesday.

#### Intruder seized in **Buckingham Palace**

A man who walked into Buckingham Palace after scaling its walls was being questioned by police last night. The intruder, in his early twenties, was seized in a corridor while the Queen and Prince Edward were in the building. The man activated a security alarm as he climbed the wall near the building as the Garden Gate on Constitution Hill an area known as the Garden Gate on Constitution Hill during the afternoon...

Royal protection officers chased the man as he went into the palace and he was arrested minutes later. He is being questioned by police at Bow Street, Westminster. A palace spokeswoman, who confirmed the Queen and Prince Edward were in the building at the time, said the intruder

#### Stamp man cleared

The former chairman of the stamp dealer Stanley Gibbons was yesterday cleared of heading a plot to dupe stamp collectors into buying fake rarities, deliberately printed with errors to increase their value. After a three-month trial at Southwark Crown Court a jury took just over four hours to clear Clive Feigenbaum. He had claimed that Commonwealth stamps produced with his authority under open contracts with colonial governments were valid reprints to meet demand from collectors in specialist fields. The prosecution had alleged that he led a fraud in which errors were deliberately printed on new issues in order to advertise them as mistakes that had escaped checks. Mr Feigenbaum, owner of Format International Security Printers, denied having anything to do with producing bogus errors.

#### Tornados' close shave

Four RAF fliers had a near escape yesterday when two Tornado F3 fighters touched in mid air over the North Sea about 20 miles northeast of Newcastle upon Tyne. The jets, on routine training sorties, were flying at 400mph when one passed so closely over the top of the other that its underside was scraped by the lower aircraft's tail. Three RAF search and rescue helicopters were scrambled and two accompanying Tornados escorted the fighters to Newcastle airport where both landed safely. One was doused in foam by airport fire crews and witnesses reported seeing cracks in the cockpit canopy of one of the aircraft, which were based at RAF Leeming in North Yorkshire although from different squadrons. The defence ministry has set up an enquiry into

#### Hunt protesters jailed

Six men were jailed for between 12 and 15 months for their. part in a violent anti-hunting protest when saboteurs threw rocks at the home of the Cheshire Beagle Hunt's kennels master. All had admitted or been convicted of violent disorder. Eight others were given suspended three-month prison sentences for threatening behaviour. The protest, on February 11, 1991, came two days after the death of Mike Hill, a saboteur, who was run over when he fell off a pick-up trailer being driven by Alan Summersgill, the kennels master, Knutsford Crown Court, Cheshire, was told. Judge Elgan Edwards told them: "Everyone is entitled to views, correct views or wrong views as the case may be. But no one is entitled in this country to seek to impose their views on other people by the use of violence or the threat of violence."

#### Footballer's degree

Gary Lineker, the England soccer captain, and the comedian Lenny Henry yesterday joined the growing band-of celebrines with honorary degrees. Both received MAs, Lineker from Leicester University, and Henry from Warwick. Among this week's other honorary graduates are University of Wales. Neither Mr Lineker nor Mr Henry encountered the student opposition promised tomorrow when Mr Kinnock receives his honout in Cardiff shortly before attending the Labour conference to elect his successor as party leader. A students' union spokesman said: "We have always opposed the awarding of these degrees because they degrade the degrees for which students have to work for three or more years." Leading article, page 15

#### Anglers fear fee rise

Many of the four million anglers in England and Wales may have to pay more for their sport under a plan proposed by the National Rivers Authority to raise funds for improving the quality of fisheries. The authority wants to increase spending from £24 million to £33 million by 1995, mainly by levying a charge on fishery owners that would replace the rates some now pay to local authorities. However, an estimated two thirds of fishery owners do not pay local authority rates, and

thirds of fishery owners do not pay local authority rates, and anglers fear they may try to recoup the cost of the levy by charging anglers more for fishing permits.

Kevin O'Grady, the authority's head of fisheries, said: "Very little of the money that goes to local authorities is actually spent on fisheries. Under our proposal, fishery owners would be getting a clear benefit and much better value for their money." The authority will meet angling organisations and other interested parties on July 30 to discuss the proposal and ask them to respond with written discuss the proposal and ask them to respond with written comments by September 18. The aim is to introduce the levy next year. It is intended that it should cover 27 per cent of fishery service expenditure.

#### TV satire criticised

BBC2's The Mary White-house Experience has been censured by Lord Rees-Mogg's Broadcasting Standards Council for explicit jokes about masturbation and oral sex, as well as an 'offensive" sketch about the mentally ill.

Complaints about two episodes of the satirical comedy series were upheld by the council just one day after BBC2 revealed plans to broadcast jokes about

women, racial minorities

and homosexuals in a new discussion series which will debase the effects of "political correctness" in humour, among other issues. Lord Rees-Mogg, above, who last week described television as an "alien force dominated by male fantasies and attitudes", also said he was worried by the offence alternative comedy programmes, which are reliant on breaking taboos, can cause.

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The council criticised The Mary Whitehouse Experience yesterday for allowing one of its contributors to describe one of the characters in the film *Truly Madly Deeply* as a "nutter". In another episode, the programme "went beyond the limits of acceptability" with sexually explicit jokes at a time when large numbers of children might be watching.

#### Ex-colonel held

A former colonel in the Mexican army wanted in connection A former colonel in the Mexican army wanted in connection with the murder of David Wilson. 47, an accountant from Chorley, Chesire, has been arrested in New York. Hector Portillo, said to be the cousin of a former Mexican president, was held yesterday by US customs officers. I ancashire police are still huming the two marked men who shot Mr Wilson in the garage of his home in March. Det Sopt Bob Denmark leading the investigation, said that despite the argest, the search for the two murderers was committed. Mr Portulo is expected to appear before a coust in New York and extradition discussions have begin between the Crown Prosecution Service and the American antifornies. The murder investigation has so far led police to Mexico. murder investigation has so far led police to Mexico. Holland, Venezuela and the United States.

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#### Release wants change in laws that are consistently broken

## Drug agency calls for cannabis cafes

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

CANNABIS cafes and other licensed drug clubs should be set up under new laws which would no longer ban some drugs, a report recommended

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Release, the drugs and legal advice agency, suggests that cannabis and other drugs such as Ecstasy and amyl nitrates (poppers) would be sold in certain places.

Cannabis is openly allowed come in Amsterdam coffee. now in Amsterdam coffee

The change would allow drug quality to be monitored. consumer protection and trading standards to be imposed and the introduction of taxation on recreational drugs which would provide funds for health, education and welfare for those in need.

Release, celebrating the 25th anniversary of its found-

ing in 1967, said that drug prohibition had failed and that a "leap of imagination" was needed to decriminalise illicit drugs, introduce iegisiation to regulate the supply of

drugs and provide consumer protection, research, education and community care programmes.

Mike Ashton, chairman of Release, said: "We need a phased, careful and monitored move away from prohibition towards a regulated system of the supply of pro-hibited drugs aimed not at

hibited drugs aimed not at maximising harm but at minimising harm.

He said that opposing the drug laws was not the same as favouring drugs. "We believe that the law as it stands lacks redibility and in many cases lacks mablic creatidence." Mr lacks public confidence." Mr Ashion told a press confer-ence at the Law Society in London. The report by Re-lease said that, since the law was ignored widely, it was time to create a workable and convincing alternative to prohibition that would not punish people for using or possessing drugs for their own use or for normal small scale social transactions.

tions are that drug users should be registered and supplied with a ration card and that the range of drugs available on medical prescription should be widened. Specific drugs could be sold in licensed premises where they would be consumed and where entrance would be by ticket or membership card.

The Release report said that decriminalisation must be accompanied by legislation to regulate supply, restrictions on the use of drugs when driving, measures to prevent the supply of drugs without licensing, and quality · control systems and warnings about the drug's effects. Release's report is an at-

tempt to set off a debate on reform of the laws, which officials in the Home Office, senior police officers and drug agencies know are consistently broken. An estimated one million to 1.5 million people use cannabis, at any one time, according to the 1984 British Crime Survey.



Present hopes: Caroline Coon, co-founder of Release, announcing the agency's new campaign

petitions.

changed. I believe very much

that it's a thing you should decide for yourself. I think

that it should certainly be

decriminalised, though I

#### A quarter century on, the high and mighty rally again to the cause

IN A world of Ecstasy, raves and crack wars, concern about legalising cannabis may seem marginal and anachronistic, but it remains a contentious issue. Its opponents say that it would be the first step on the path of perdition; its defenders that it is less harmful than alcohol, let

alone tobacco. Release, which next week starts its campaign to legalise the drug, will argue that prohibition has "promoted criminality, conflict and more harm to the individual and to society than its use ever has". The drug remains illegal and those caught selling large quantities still face a 14-year

The Release campaign will include a full-page advertise; ment in The Times next week. Twenty-five years ago, on July 24, 1967, The Towns cartes another a full-bage advertise ment, declaring the law against marijuana is historical. al in principle and unwork-able in practice. What gave that advertisement its cachet was not its thetoric, which included a lengthy quotation from the seventeenth century Dutch philosopher Spinoza, but the list of 66 signatories, who suggested to the home secretary a five-point plan: ☐ There should be more ernment research into

☐ Smoking on private premises should be decriminalised. ☐ Cannabis should be controlled by a new law, and ing Stones, but in fact the distinguished from such trigger was the arrest and

Jonathon Green on the anniversary of a futile fight for legality that has allied pop stars and politicians

Among Release's sugges-

"hard" drugs as heroin.

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The subscribers to those sentiments made up an intriguing min. See Beatles, David Hockney, Graham Greene, the psychiatrists R.D. Laing and David Cooper, Ken Tyang, David Bailey, Jonathan Miller, George Melly and David Disabelly, 1981, 1982, and David Disabelly, 1981, 1982, and Britan Jonatha Miller, 1982, a finture WP the den; one a future MP? the strier is serving MP, both then writing for the Daily Express, and Tom Driberg. Release promises a similar mix 25 years on:

mix 25 years on: The original advertisement was backed by the Society of Mental Awareness (Soma being the name of the drug that fuelled Aldous Huxley's Brave New World]. It was the Drainchiki of Sieve Adrains an American postgraduate based in Oxford. Popular mythology has linked the advertisement to the arrest of various members of the Rolling Stones, but in fact the

Past glories: Caroline Coon in 1967 and the Times advert of that year

subsequent jailing for posses-sion of cannabis of John Hopkins, better known as Hoppy. a leading counter-cultural

One of the stimuli for the advertisement in The Times was that William Rees-Mogg. who had become editor in 1966, had noted Mick Jagger's arrest (for a handful of properly prescribed pep pills) and on July 1, 1967, had Who Breaks A Butterfly On A Wheel? - in defence of the

The perception was that the Thunderer had come out in favour of the counter culture. Paul McCartney, already a

generous friend to the "alter-native society", provided £1,800 to pay for the adver-tisement. Interviewed in 1987, Mr McCartney re-called: "At the time it didn't Brittan. When it was decided to run

seem in the least bit radical. But now, to imagine that Jonathan Aitken came round and enlisted my support . . ." Mr Aitken was then best known as the author of a series in the Evening Stanand of The Young Meteors. which ran through the personalities of what was still known, quite without irony, as "the new aristocracy". In this role, he had met Mr

pearing on television's Your Witness programme, debating the cannabis "problem" with the barrister Leon

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DNA, George Kiloh, the chairman of the then fashionrably lure you into worse things. It's perfectly easy to able Young Liberals and Mr stay on pot."
Other veterans of 1967 are Walden, whose concern

equally unrepentant. Dr Miller stresses, as does Restemmed from his interest in an addictions centre in his constituency. All, including lease's advertisement, that the Beatles, were names who bans and repression lead not did not normally sign to the desired collapse of the drug market, but rather to an The advertisement helped intensification of its underto focus the Wootton commit-tee, assembled to consider the the-counter supply. George Melly says: "Punitive meastatus of cannabis. Its report, sures support a large criminal published in 1969, affirmed network and accompany viothat the drug was not harmful lence, death and mutilation." and called for suitable action. It was not taken. Soma dis-

However, Mr Aitken, now a government minister, has banded a year later; there was changed his views. "The nothing else, Mr Abrams felt, that he could do. Times advert was well-meaning but tremendously misun-Among the original signaderstood," he says. "It did not tories still alive, views are call for legalisation, but many generally unchanged. Dr Bripeople misunderstood it dean Inglis continues to believe that cannabis is infinitely less liberately. I am against legalisation and always have dangerous than alcohol or tobacco: "My feelings are un-

Mr Aitken is probably on safe ground. Although Simon Jenkins, editor of The Times, said on a Panorama programme last month that he believed that liberalisation must come in time, saying that, "you cannot enforce the law where there is no consent", there is neither the social nor political will to make the change. As Dr Inglis suggests: "Governing things on their minds."

Jonathon Green is author o Days in the Life. a history of British counter-culture, and a signatory to the Release

#### **Mothers** lose case on income support

BRITAIN'S income support system, which can leave single parents better off on the dole than working, is not a breach of European Community sex discrimination laws, the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg ruled

yesterday. The judges rejected the cases of Patricia Cresswell, a divorced mother of two, and Sonia Jackson, an unmarried mother, who both claimed that social security department regulations made it financially impossible to work. The verdict is a blow to the Child Poverty Action Group, which estimates that about one million mothers cannot afford to go to work because of the scheme.

The group backed the case of Mrs Cresswell, from Exeter, Devon, who began legal action after finding that she was £10 a week poorer when she started work as a graphic designer at Exeter University than she had been on state benefits. Miss Jackson, 28, from London, had been receiving income support to help with her four-year-old child when she began a Manpower Services Commission training course and received a weekly allowance. She was not entitled to continue receiving income support.

Both women were challeng ing the Social Security Act of 1986 which, unlike the 1976 Supplementary Benefit Act It replaced, does not allow child-minding expenses to be deducted from part-time earnings when assessing lev-els of benefit.

The court said that the is-sue was not covered by EC directives on equal treatment regarding access to work and social security. The directives applied to statutory schemes providing protection against the risk of sickness, invalidity. old age, accidents at work, occupational diseases and unemployment, but did not refer to a statutory scheme that provides people with a special benefit to enable them to meet their needs.

EC rules on equal treatment for access to employment did not cover national calculations for benefit based on actual earnings. The fact that the calculating method might affect a single mother's ability to take up vocation training or part-time work was not sufficient to amount to a breach of the rules, the

court said. Mrs Cresswell, 40, who is now recovering from cancer, had been paying £25 for child-minding for her youngest son, Toby, now six, while she worked. She could offset only £15 of her weekly income against DSS allowances.

A department appeals tribunal passed her claim to the Court of Appeal, which referred the case to the European court.

#### Trust man resigns

By ALISON ROBERTS

THE chairman of an NHS trust in Bristol resigned yesterday as the trust's board met to discuss allegations that two patients died as a result of

staff shortages.

Philip Chubb, chief executive of the trust, said yesterday that a detailed investigation into the allegations was being carried out but "so far we have no evidence to support them". A spokesman for the health department said that the matter was being dealt with locally but it would be keeping in close contact with the hospital and monitoring the progress of the enquiry.

The resignation of Colin Williams, the chairman, comes three days after the manager responsible for ju-nior medical staff at Southmead Hospital stepped down. Local union representatives are urging staff to pass a motion of no confidence in the entire management. Rog-

Each week throughout

er Berry, MP for Kingswood, called for a public statement

on what went wrong at the

hospital.
"Those who live in the area serviced by Southmead are wanting some assurance that the problems that appear to have led to the resignation of two very senior people are dealt with." Southmead was thrown in-

to crisis last week when three junior doctors and a registrar spoke out about low staffing levels which, they said, were putting patients at risk, par-ticularly at night. Two pa-tients had died before being seen and after several hours in hospital, they said.

adequate locum cover were particularly criticised by the doctors and by Tom Frewin, the area British Medical Association representative. The trust board announced a review of the system.

#### Abrams when both were ap-

a vaccine that the health department is expected to introduce into Britain in October. Given as part of the routine vaccinations at two, three and four months, the new vaccine will protect against infections caused by the haemophilus

influenzae type B bacterium, known as Hib. In spite of its name, the bacterium has nothing to do with flu; its most serious consequence is bacterial meningitis, which affects 900 infants a year. Of these, 65 die and perhaps 150 suffer permanent brain damage. Hib also causes Arrangements for securing epiglottitis and septicaemia. Production of the vaccine is under way at the Lyons fac-tory of Pasteur Merieux, which is expected to share the

vaccination against Hib disease has been in use since 1987, infections have fallen from about 200 a year to only 12 last year.

Although the drug companies do not know when vaccination will begin in Britain, they are working hard to produce 2.1 million doses to treat all those children born after October 1. Additional doses will be needed for older children, up to the age of four, who will be given a single shot. After the age of four, Hib infections seldom occur. The vaccine will not eliminate meningitis, since Hib is not the only cause of the disease, though it is the most

suspected meningitis could be saved if GPs gave them an immediate injection of penilance, according to two studies in the British Medical

lin was given immediately, according to a study in Darlington, co. Durham. A second study in England recorded a fall in mortality from 9 per cent to 5 per cent. A low dosage of aspirin taken regularly for a period of five years reduces the risk of surgery to clear blocked arteries, according to research to be published in The Lancet today. A study carried out on more than 22,000 healthy male doctors shows that a dosage of 325mg of aspirin taken on alternate days prevents the formation of limb thrombosis.

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#### Baby vaccine can save lives FROM NIGEL HAWKES IN LYONS THE THE lives of up to 65 child-ren a year should be saved by Lederie. In Finland, where cillin before calling an ambu-

important ☐ The lives of patients with British market with a rival product made by PraxisJournal. The death rate fell from 24 per cent to zero when penicil-

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#### STOP PRESS FRANCE - WITH THE TIMES AND LBC

the summer, The Times and LBC will bring you news of lastminute bargains available for travellers to France. The latest information on bookings, flights, traffic delays and holiday ideas

BY LUCY ROCK

☐ Despite reports of fewerthan expected visitors to the recently opened EuroDisney. the AA is warning motorists that congestion is likely on the A4 and A104 near the theme park. Delays are expected on main routes around Lille, Lyon, Toulouse and Bordeaux over the weekend.



OFFERS

☐ Sealink has three-night breaks to France for £222 a person, including travel by ferry, accommodation in a French manor house at Fontenay-Tresigny near Paris, and a one-day Euro Disney pass. Keycamp Holidays is offering discounts of up to £150 on selected 12-night mobile home holidays throughout France.

FLIGHTS

☐ Air UK has plenty of seats available on flights over the weekend to Nice from Stansted, and to Paris from Leeds, Newcastle, Aberdeen and Stansted. British Midland has lots of space on flights to Paris and Nice. Dan-Air has good availability on all its French routes. T.A.T reports heavy bookings on all flights this weekend from Gatwick to Paris and Lyon. but there are seats available on flights from Stansted to Brive, Tours and Poitiers.

FERRIES

☐ P&O has little space on morning crossings from Do-ver to Ostend and Boulogne. and all its sailings from Portsmouth to Le Havre and Cherbourg are busy. Sally Line has limited availability on sailings from Ramsgate in the latter part of next week. Brittany Ferries has passenger space only on most of its evening sailings from Portsmouth. Poole and Plymouth

RAILWAYS

over the next week.

☐ SNCF motorail trains have sleeping accommoda-tion available on all routes from Boulogne this weekend. For non-motorists, TGV

trains will be running over-night from Lille to the Riviera on Friday and Sunday evenings from now until August

RATES ☐ Travelex report that the

franc has remained strong against sterling this week. Exchange rates for the franc are between 10.11 and 10.15 when buying and 9.26 and 9.30 when selling.

The Times journalist Peter Brown will be interviewed by Angela Rippon on LBC NEWSTALK's Drivetime programme on Thursday, July 23, at 6.50pm.

> Passport to France L&T section, page 4

#### Campaign seeks ban on child arcade gambling

playing fruit machines be-fore the bright lights of them into a lifetime of addictive gambling and petty crime was demanded yesterday in an appeal to the

prime minister. Backed by 44 MPs and 36 Euro MPs, the Amusement Arcade Action Group launched a drive to stop children under 18 gambling away a figure currently put at £50 million a year on the machines.

According to official statistics, an estimated 1.5 million children regularly play machines in Britain, the only country in Europe which allows minors to gamble. The Home Office said yesterday it had no plans for further controls.

At present, local authorities control the arcades through by-laws that have to be approved by the Home Office, but these do not enforce an age limit and many councils still do not specific local

legislation. Robert Davis, a West-minster city councillor and Michael Horsnell looks at the dark side of the

bright lights in arcades where children spend £50m a year

group, said: 'The present laws and controls are totally unsatisfactory and until local authorities are grant-ed the necessary clout to control the operation and proliferation of amusement arcades, young people will continue to be at risk." Among the 250,000 regu-

lar machine players the campaigners are concerned for is Daniel, aged 12. For him and his friends Clacton-on-Sea's Golden Hundred Yards, opposite the pier, is a gambling Daniel spends at least

£10 a week on the fruit machines at the Essex resort L money given to him by his parents though he makes extra money working on the market" on Saturdays. He is something of chairman of the action a beginner compared with

the button with practised ease as the lights flicker towards the jackpot, but Wayne is 14 and earns money "stacking shelves".
Neither of them, nor their

Neither of them, nor their friends, Jason and Simon, both 13, understands addiction but someone who does is Jim Glynn, 25. He hopes legislation banning children from gambling un-til the age of 18 is intro-duced before it is too late for Daniel and his friends. A ban might have stopped Mr Glynn, a Londoner, from an addiction which led to about 70 convictions and three prison sentences for

theft, burglary, fraud and

deception. He said: "I started on the machines at 13, getting hooked. I couldn't help it. It plays on your mind, the lights and the noise. I started off taking a tenner from my mother's purse and then it was a case of stripping the house, selling everything when she was out, the TV, the video, fridge, hi-fi, and my brother's toys. By the time I was

Mr Glynn, who now lives on £42 a week "dole money" at Gordon House in Beckenham, Kent, a volun-tary hostel for ex-offenders with a gambling fixation. was sent to a special boarding school in an unsuccess-ful attempt to break his

He said: "I haven't gambled now for ten days and it's painful. But you have to help yourself. I have known what it is like to go without food for days because I've spent all my money on the fruit machines. It's a sickness. I've ruined my life." From an extrapolation of

Home Office figures, Dr Emanuel Moran, chairman of the National Council on Gambling, says that 26 per cent of children aged 10-16 gamble on fruit machines and that of those, more than 300,000 do so until they have run out of money. About 250,000 regularly gamble unaccompanied by adults. He also believes than another 200.000 children spend "most" of their money on fruit



Game of risk: fruit machines can become addictive and lead children to steal to finance their habit

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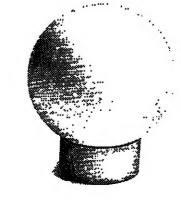
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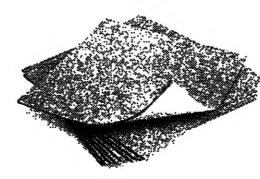
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#### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Stolen kiss led man to kill himself

A man overcome with shame after being caught kissing a friend's wife at the couple's house-warming party in May gassed himself to death in his car, an inquest in south London was told yesterday.

Simon Blackley, 23, a post-man of Lee, south London, was caught kissing Karen Roos, 25, in the kitchen of her Eltham home by her husband Lee Barnes, 22. Hours iater, after being ejected from the house by Mr Barnes, he was found dead in a public garage near his home.

Sir Montague Levine, the Southwark coroner, recording a verdict that Mr Blackley had killed himself, said that a note had been found on his body which disclosed he deep sense of shame.

#### Sweet victory

NutraSweet accepted stantial undisclosed damages and costs in the High Court over articles in The Guardian which wrongly suggested some of the laboratory test results it submitted to the US Food and Drug Administration in the early 1970s had been faked.

#### Sale falls flat

Sir Winston Churchill's former Westminster flat in Morpeth Terrace failed to reach its reserve price of £300,000 at an auction in Mayfair yesterday. Bidding stopped at £297,500, and the property was withdrawn by

#### Family escapes

Christine Hunter, victim of a hate-mail campaign, saved her sons Sean, six months. and Gary, six, when a petrol bomb was thrown through a window into their home in Nottingham early yesterday.

On the cards The board of the British Library is to decide today whether to charge for access

#### Released patients 'better off'

By JEREMY LAURANCE HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

ONLY 1 per cent of long-stay mental patients discharged from hospital into the community end up sleeping rough, a study shows. It runs counter to claims that the policy of clearing the longstay hospitals has made many people homeless.

Of 500 patients discharged from Friern and Claybury hospitals in north London since 1985 to about 100 heuses in the community, doctors and social workers have lost touch with only six. "We assume they are sleeping rough." Professor Julian Leff. and leader of the study, said. "But the number is very much lower than people feared." Nearly all of the rest were living in flats or group

Presenting the results of the study at a conference in London yesterday, Professor Leff said that those discharged had a better quality of life than those who re-mained in hospital. They made more friends, were more active and were less

apathetic. Studies show that a third of the so-called "rough sleepers" are suffering from some mental illness, mainly schizophrenia, but they do not comefrom the long-stay wards. The reason for their sudden visibility on the streets was the decline in cheap rented housing and the closure of large hostels for the homeless, Professor Leff said.

☐ A city upbringing may cause schizophrenia in susceptible men, according to a report in The Lancet. A survey of 49,000 Swedish conscripts found that those brought up in cities were 65 per cent more likely to develop schizophrenia than those from rural backgrounds. The authors speculate that city life may expose children to a greater risk of viral infections and head injuries.

#### Simple slogans fool the green gardener

BY PETER VICTOR

GARDENERS buying prod- the environment by avoiding ucts sold as environmentally friendly are sometimes misled by slogans on packaging, says the Consumers' Association, which found certain "green" goods were unsuitable for use by organic growers.

Researchers found that one fertiliser was said to have a natural seaweed base but also contained manufactured chemicals. In its publication Gardening from Which?, the association says that products sold as "green" may be so only in one aspect. "A weed-killer might be blodegradable but may take a lot of energy to produce or come in non-recyclable plastic bottles. Some-times traditional natural products like garden lime are relaunched under a green banner, but it's just a marketing exercise - the products are the same as ever," Alistair Ayres, the editor, said.

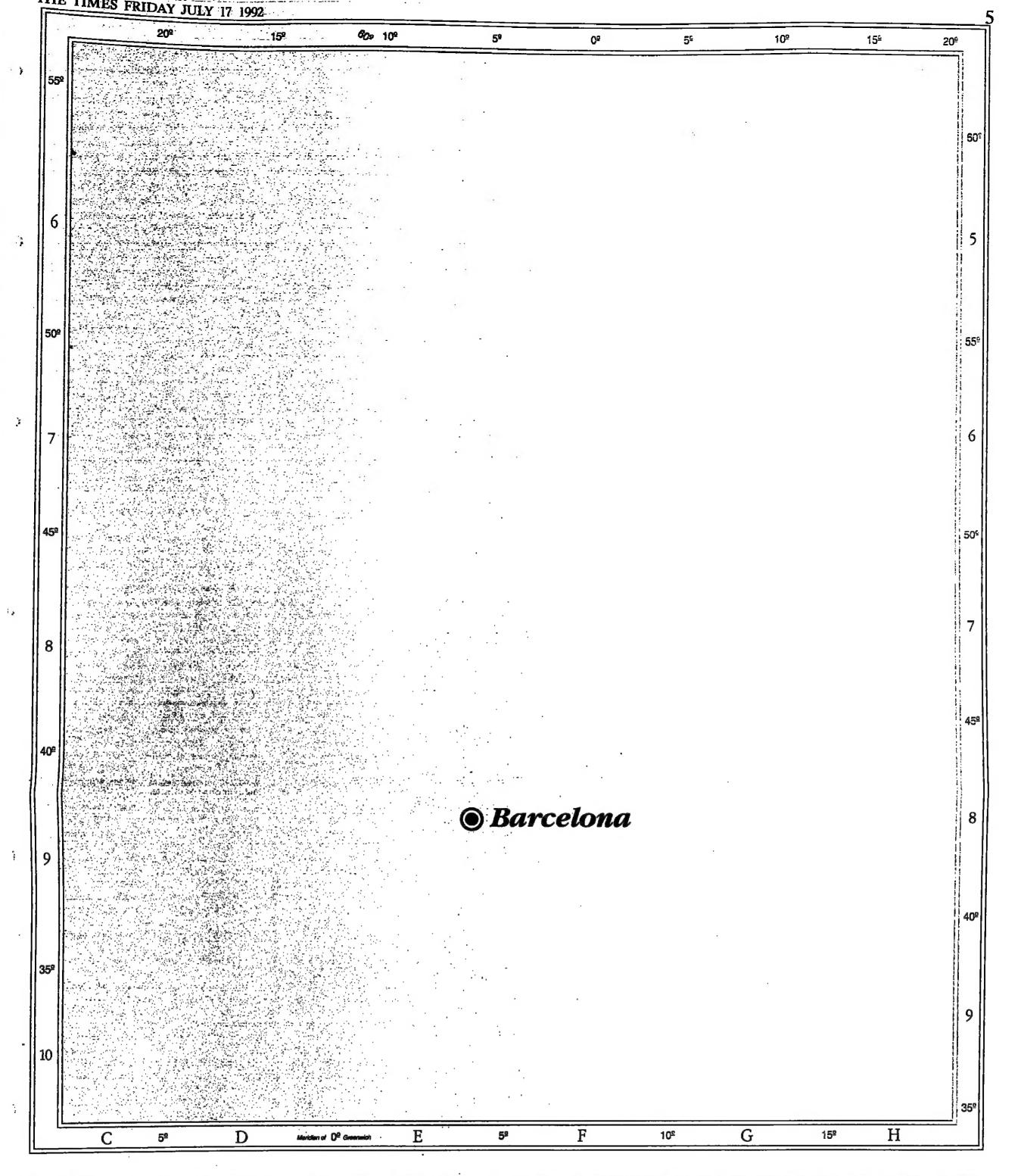
Gardeners should take manufacturers' green claims with a pinch of sait. You can make a real contribution to

over-packaged products."
Companies are attacking green claims to all manner of products because of the growing market for such goods. Friends of the Earth last year gave its Green Con award to Fisons, which used to sell peat and, garden compost, for claiming that peat cutting did not endainger Britain's remaining, wellands. Friends of the Earth has indicated that it would like to see an environwould like to see an environ-mental labeling scheme con-trolled by government with a long term analysis of how each product affects the planet.

The Commons environment select committee on the environment has recommended that but the government is waiting for Enropean Community legislation:

planet.

☐ The small testouses hell butterfly is the most frequent. according to a survey of 560 gardens by the British Butter-ty Conservation Society



## IN WHICH COUNTRY WOULD YOU PLACE THIS POINT?

## Riot-hit estate gains stake in £750m fund

BY LOUISE HIDALGO

TYNESIDE'S Meadow Well estate, the scene of some of the worst of last September's disturbances, is one of 20 inner-city areas to benefit this year from a share of the government's £750 million City Challenge programme to aid the regeneration of deprived urban areas, it was announcing winners from 14 months age environment seal Heseltine, ners, each of receive £37.5 m ernment grants five years, are: five years, are: ton, Brent, Der Hartlepool, Ke Chelsea, Kirkle Leicester, New

Announcing winners from the 54 local authorities that bid for a share of funds under the scheme's second round. Michael Howard, the environment secretary, praised the quality, enthusiasm and vision of the widely differing projects. They confirmed, he said, the "value of competition" as a spur to partnership between the public and private sectors and the community to rebuild blighted areas.

"The high quality of the City Challenge bids has confounded the sceptics and laid the basis for dramatic change in some of the most rundown areas of our cities," he said.

All but three of the 57 councils participating in the environment department's urban programme applied for funds under the scheme, pioneered 14 months ago by the then environment secretary, Michael Heseltine. The 20 winners, each of whom is to receive £37.5 million in government grants over the next five years, are: Barnsley, Birmingham, Blackburn, Bolton, Brent, Derby, Hackney, Hartlepool, Kensington and Chelsea, Kirklees, Lambeth, Leicester, Newham, North Tyneside, Sandwell, Sefton, Stockton, Sunderland, Wal-

sall and Wigan.

The minister also announced four new inner-city task forces, for Birmingham, Haringey, Plymouth and Stockton.

Labour said that City Challenge produced a "minority of winners and a majority of losers". David Blunkett, Labour's local government spokesman, said that the programme would "exacerbate increasing deprivation in many areas and hide the overall reduction in government spending on the areas most affected."

In North Tyneside, however, there was jubilation yesterday over the winning bid. The council had been privately advised that it would be wasting its time in seeking funds under the scheme after funds under the scheme after pear following the riots at Meadow Well, North Shields.

The funding is to be used for an ambitious programme of shopping and community facilities, training and business development, with the creation of 3,000 jobs and several hundred homes on Meadow Well and in other areas. Projects include a child-care training centre. "We are going to put a new heart into Meadow Well," a spokesman said. The council hopes to attract £123 million in private investment.

Another winner, Birmingham city council, which last year unsuccessfully bid for the E400 million awarded to 11 local authorities in the scheme's first round, said that its award would mean 4,000 new jobs and a training programme for 400 people each year. "In the past, the government has praised us with words and now they have done it with cash," Ken Barton, who led the bid, said.



Pump-priming: firemen in action last year after rioting on the Meadow Well estate, now to gain from government City Challenge grants

#### Councils seeking extra £2.1 bn told to tighten their belts

By JILL SHERMAN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE government yesterday ruled out any big increase in local authority resources to fund its community care policy or the implementation of the council tax next year.

Michael Howard, environment secretary, rejected a £2.1 billion bid from local council organisations to fund both policies, arguing that councils would need to tighten their belts alongside other spending departments. "An increase on this scale is

out of the question. Public spending increases must be restrained and local government will have to play its part," Mr Howard said. "Local authorities will need to curtail their spending plans to stay within the limits of

what the country and local taxpayers can afford."

At a meeting with Michael Howard and other ministers,

her local government representatives claimed that £! billion e is was needed to fund the policy of caring for elderly and mentally handicapped people in the community, which comes

into effect next April.

The negotiators also called for another £900,000 to fund a shortfall on the 7.5 per cent pay award for teachers this year and the 6.5 per cent for the police, as well as introducing changes in the national curriculum and the council

tax. Mr Howard said the total bid amounted to £45.5 billion, which represented an increase of 13 per cent more that the government believed was needed to maintain services, once the new policies had been taken into account.

However local authorities immediately said that if councils failed to provide adequate services, the blame would lie at the government's door.

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The consultative council on local government finance,

held annually as part of the public expenditure round, was attended by the Association of County Councils, the London Boroughs Association, the Association of District Councils and the Association of Metropolitan

Authorities.

The government will not publish its detailed resource allocations until the autumn, partly due to the difficulties over funding the community care policy.

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## Shipyard overruns on time and cost

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

A NEW advanced support ship for the Royal Navy is 32 months behind schedule and more than £60 million over budget. The vessel will come into service without a command system or the capability to defend itself against air attack, a report by the National Audit Office said yesterday.

The Ministry of Defence has ordered two audiliary oiler replenishment vessels, which will supply fuel, stores and ammunition to warships and will also have a helicopter maintenance facility.

Construction of the first vessel, by Hariand and Wolff in Northern Ireland, was due to be completed by December 1990 but now the earliest date is the end of 1992, the report said. The cost had also risen from the original contract price of £127 million to about £190 million.

The contract for the second vessel went to Swan Hunter even though its bid was "considerably higher" than the £106.5 million put in by Harland and Wolff. The min-

istry felt that in the light of the cost overrun with the first vessel, Harland and Wolff would be unable to build the second one for that price.

George Younger, then defence secretary, directed Sir-Peter Levene, chief of defence procurement, to place the contract with Swan Hunter. Harland and Wolff was told to hand over its designs and technical information to Swan Hunter but some of the drawings were delayed, while others were of poor quality. The second vessel is now running four months behind schedule.

Under the original plan, the support vessels were to be fined with the Sea Wolf missile system. Delays in the development of the command system and difficulties in obtaining parts mean that "both vessels will be without a full air defence capability for some considerable time".

The 1991 Statement on Major Defence Projects; report by the Comptroller and Auditor General, National Audit Office (Stationery Office).

#### Prescott keeps on fighting

BY NICHOLAS WOOD POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Prescott was insisting yesterday that he still had a chance of denying Margaret Beckett outright victory as Labour's deputy leader after winning the support of the National Union of Public Employees.

With all but a handful of unions yet to declare their colours for tomorrow's leadership contest, Mr Prescott released figures suggesting that he might take Mrs Beckett to a second ballot. The unions control 40 per cent of the college and Mr Prescott said he was trailing Mrs Becket by 25 per cent to 12 per cent.

The polls open for the parliamentary party tomorrow at the electoral college at the Royal Horticultural Hall in London and the results will be announced on Thursday.

John Smith, who is certain of a handsome victory in the main contest against Mr Gould, will announce the formation of his new team shortly afterwards. A record 54. MPs are standing for the 18 shadow cabinet places.

Shadow cabinet candidates are:
Graham Allen, Hilary Armstrong, Tony Banks, Margaret
Beckett, Stuart Bell, Tony Benn,
Tony Blair, David Blunkett, Gordon Brown, Dennis Cansavan,
David Clark, Tom Clarke, Ann
Cloyd, Robin Cook, Jack
Cunningham, Ron Davies, Donald Dewar, Frank Dobson, Derek
Fatchett, Mark Fisher, George
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Gould, Bernie Grant, Bruce
Grocott, Harriet Harman, Barry
Jones, Tony Lloyd, Henry McLeish,
Kevin McNamara, John Marek,
Michael Meacher, Alun Michael,
Austin Michell, Alf Morris,
Marjorie Mowiam, Chris Mullin,
Martin O'Neill, John Prescott,
Dawn Primarolo, Joyce Quin,
Stuart Randall, Jo Richardson,
George Robertson, Jeff Rooker,
Barry Sheerman, Clare Short,
Chris Smith, Clive Soley, Gavin



her reply

Stella Rimington, the head of MI5, is to discuss with the Home secretary whether she should appear before the Commons home affairs select commit-

tee in the next parlia-

mentary session.

The committee has written to Mrs Rimington inviting her to appear to explain MI5's responsibilities and to face questions from MPs of all parties about the work of the security service.

£150m HQ

The cost of building the new headquarters for the Secret Intelligence Service in London will be about £150 million, with a further £90 million for adaptation, Douglas Hogg, a Foreign Office minister.

Olympic trip
John Major, David

John Major, David Mellor, the heritage secretary. Michael Howard, the environment secretary. John Redwood, the local government minister, and Robert Key, the heritage minister, are all going to the Olympic Games which open in Barcelona

later this month.

Asylum pleas
About 1,100 people flee
ing the fighting in the former state of Yugoslavia
have sought asylum in the
UK. Charles Wardle, a
home office minister, said
in a written reply.

Parliament rises
Both Houses of Parliament rose for the summer recess yesterday and return on October 19.

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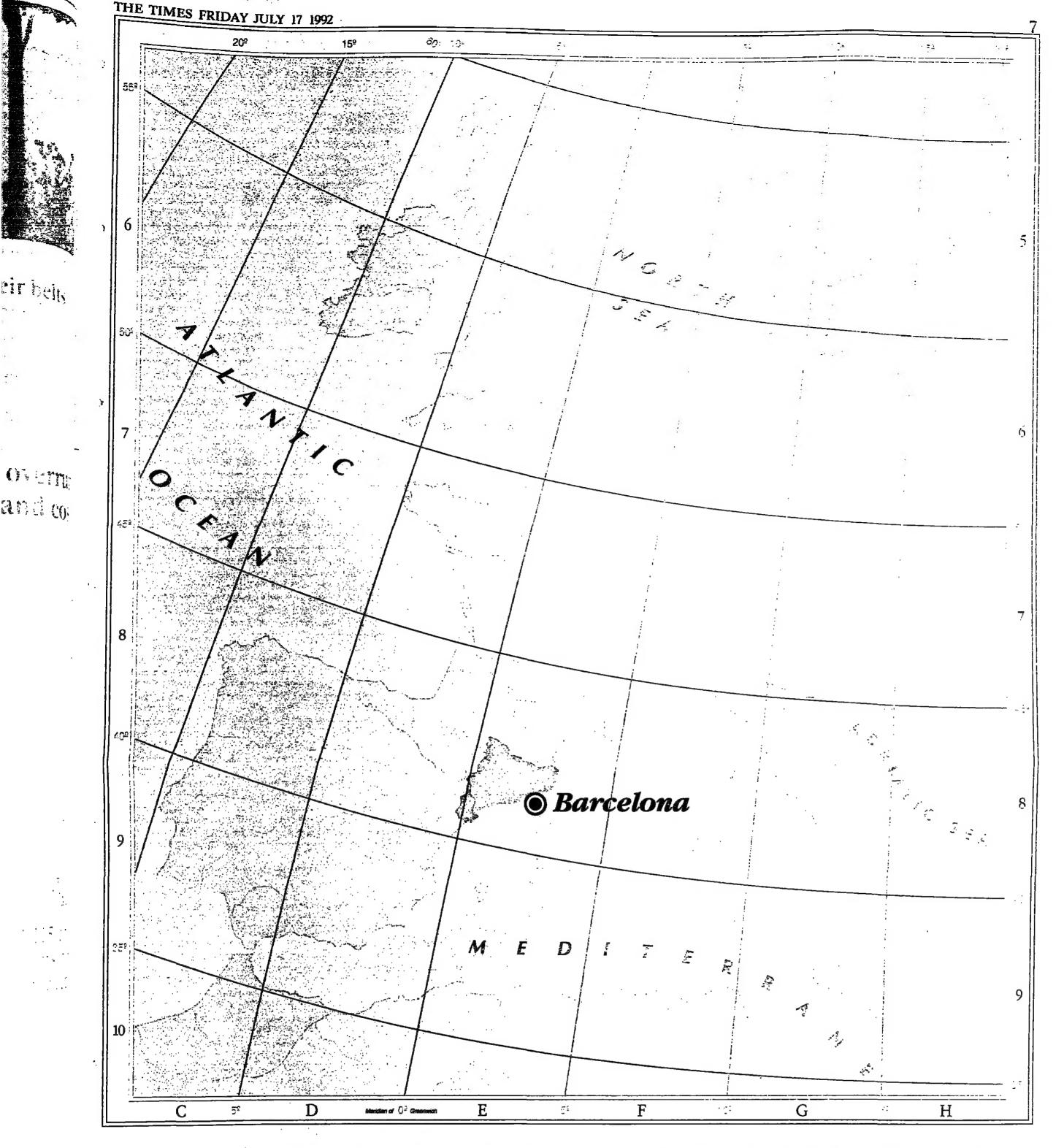
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#### Norris warns of veto on Docklands Tube

By Nicholas Wood and Arthur Leathley

THE bluntest warning yet was given yesterday that the government will not sanction the building of the proposed £1.7 billion London Underground line to Canary Wharf unless its new owners put up their share of the bill.

Ministers estimate privately that the Jubilee line extension would add about £750 million to the value of the collapsed property develop-ment. They are determined to ensure that whoever takes over Olympia & York's liabil-ities adheres to the partner-ship agreement reached with

the Canadian group.

They also calculate that under the terms of the deal. the private sector would have only to put in £170 million at today's prices to ensure that the line is built. This would mean that a new owner taking over the complex from the administrators appointed to sort out the collapse would be about £600 million to the

good. The latest ministerial intervention came against the background of a growing suspicion in Whitehall that potential private buyers of Canary Wharf believe that John Major is so anxious to rescue the Docklands development that he is prepared to waive the private sector contribution. The emphatic message from Steve Norris, a junior transport minister, in the Commons vesterday was that such forecasts were

mistaken.
"We have to make it absorbat it is lutely clear to owners that it is our clear obligation, on behalf of the taxpayer, to insist that there is a contribution," Mr Norris said.

"No one is more committed to the regeneration of Docklands [than the government] but all the government's and London Underground's planning has proceeded on the clear basis that that private sector contribution will be

He added that there was "no prospect of authorising the start of construction unless and until that contribution is assured." Mr Norris said later that prospective buyers were making a "terrible mistake" if they thought the government would waive

Ministers calculate that the rental value of the Canary Wharf development would jump from its present level of about £12 a square foot to £25-£30 if the line were built, cutting the journey time from Westminister to less than 20

They believe that the premium of £13-£18 a square foot boosts the capital value of the Canary Wharf development by £500-£900 million across its five million square feet of

Under the terms of the partnership agreement between the government and Olympia & York, the private sector has to inject an initial £100 million into the building of the Tube extension, with a remaining £300 mil-lion being paid over 24 years, starting from the projected completion of the line in

Ministers believe that, at present prices, the paper cost of £400 million falls to about £170 million. They insist that a government go-ahead for the line would put a net £600 million in the pockets of a

#### Lady Olga accuses schools of failing Christianity

#### Astrology 'ousting religion'

BY ROBERT MORGAN

TRENDY liberalism is TRENDY liberalism is swamping the teaching of Christianity in schools, a Tory MP said yesterday. It is leading to a rootless, restless society with no spiritual or moral benchmarks, Lady Olga Maitland told MPs. The new MP for Sutton and Cheam said that parents, children and teachers were crying out for help and she called on the government to ensure that schools adhere to the requirement in the 1988 Education Act

in the 1988 Education Act of a daily act of mainly Christian worship. Lady Olga complained that children were being

taught meditation and other "dangerous practices" in the name of religious education and she read letters of complaint from parents about the handling of the subject. One school told parents that pupils were being taken to a Hindu temple where they would not be allowed to wear shoes and that parents should ensure



Lady Olga Maitland: redrawing the moral benchmarks for "rootless society"

that the children's socks would not cause offence. At another school, the tress Racquel Welsh, and the snooker player Alex Higgins, were brought in to the

curriculum. At a school at Dudley, West Midlands, astrology and hippy com-munes were included in

Many children did not know why Christmas, Easter

brated, Lady Olga said. The great nincteenth century hymns had been changed so that Christ was not referred to as the son of God to avoid

The government, Lady Olga said, should issue clear guidelines on the content of religious education and give a warning against dangers of meditation techniques.

Derek Enright, the Labour MP for Hemsworth, a Roman Catholic who taught religious education for 20 ears, said that he resented a great deal of what Lady Olga had said. No one was going to know who Jesus was or know the gospel or the epistles unless they were brought up with them in the

Harry Greenway, the Tory MP for Ealing North and a former head tacher, said that the curriculum for religious education needed to be organised nationally and not left to local whim.

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Eric Forth, an education minister, replying to the de-bate, said that the 1988 act laid down that the curricu-lum was to be decided local-ly. Although Christianity was the country's main religion, in some areas it was not. However, he recognised that there was concern, and ministers were taking a close interest in the issue. When the new school inspection regime was in place next year, it would be better able to check on how reli-

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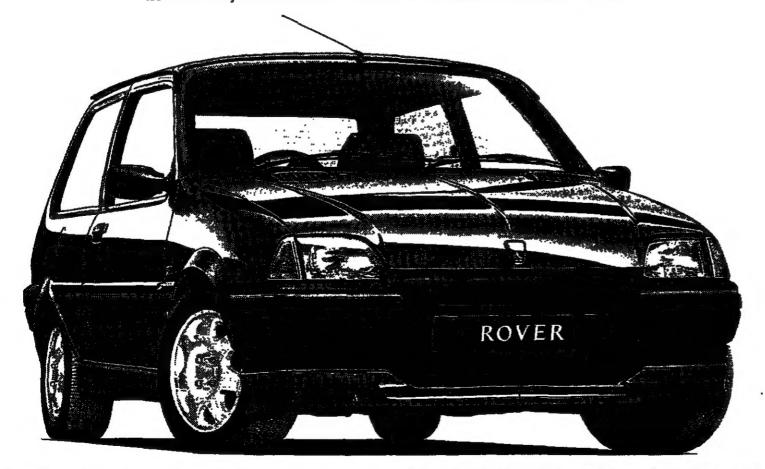
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#### Car clamping law must be tested, says minister

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

THE government is argently considering ways of ending the "piracy" of private wheelclamping firms, which have profited unduly from confusion surrounding the

Michael Jack. Home Office minister, said there was a need for the law to be clarified, either through the courts or through legislation to limit

#### Farm deal attacked by peers

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Gummer, the agriculture minister, was criticised by a group of peers yesterday for sanctioning a new EC farm deal which, they argued,

Lord Boston of Faversham wrote to Mr Gummer on behalf of the cross-party Lords EC comminee warning him that the deal to cut farm subsidies approved by the EC council on June 30 could also work unfairly for British farmers because it was so complex.

After taking evidence from farmers, landowners and the Food and Drink Federation. the peers challenged state ments by John Major and Mr Gummer of the benefits won through the compromise deal for Britain. The peers regretted that no simple effective reform of the Common agriculture policy had been produced

The Lords committee had asked the government to clear any changes in the farm subsidy system with the EC court of auditors to reduce fraud. They regret that this has not been done." Lord Boston wrote. They were also con-cerned, he said, that basing calculations on the physical measurements of the number of hectares and the number of animals would lead to difficulties and create opportunities for fraud.

the worsening action of "parking pirates." He said:
"We are considering the matter urgently, including the question of whether any ac-tion is needed to prohibit or to regulate the use of wheel clamps on private property."

Mr Jack, speaking yesterday in the Commons, insisted that the clampers were not the only people at fault, and said that he could understand the frustrations of landowners who had found motor vehicles blocking their access. He said that one solution might be to include new rules. ensuring that wheelclamping firms posted warning notices before taking action. He would not say how quickly the review would take place although to the place although the place althoug though it is likely to be completed this year.

The issue of private wheelclamping was thrown into confusion last month when the Scottish Court of Judiciary decided that the demand for payment for releasing a

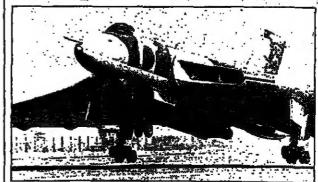
legal extortion and theft."

Mr Jack said that the law in England and Wales was significantly different from that in Scotland. "It is unfortu-nate that neither the civil nor criminal law has been tested in the courts." Mr Jack said, adding that there had been difficulties in bringing clamping companies before the courts.

Earlier, John Spellar (Warcy West, Lab) complained that "most clampers are judge, jury and court bailiff all rolled into one, and all at the same time". He said that some firms were deliberately enticing unwary motorists by parking unclamped vehicles on spare land. Others were offering landowners a com-mission in return for clamping cars. Some firms were charging £240 to release a

clamp.
The police attitude to private wheelclamping had changed since its introduction. Although they originally treated clamping incidents as a minor dispute between two individuals, they were now becoming increasingly con-cerned about the abuses tak-

#### MP pleads for Vulcan



Wing and a prayer: a Vulcan lifts off from RAF Wadding-ton in Lincolnshire during the Falklands conflict, which temporarily reprieved the aircraft. Now only one of the 144 heavy bombers remains airworthy and Harry Greenway, Tory MP for Ealing North, yesterday presented a petition to the Commons describing the

ernment to save it for the nation. He told MPs that the 9,000-signature petition sought to prevent the aircraft being auctioned later this year, as all Vulcans that had been auctioned off before had never flown again. Four of his constituents had organised the national peti-tion "because they believe this entirely British-built bomber should be saved for

# More safety checks urged for ferries

By Sheila Gunn. Political correspondent.

FERRIES operating out of partment's inspections have checked regularly for safety Manits in many cases, a Commons committee said yesterday. The MPs complained to the transport department that, after the Herald of Free Enterprise disaster in 1987, officials did not reach their target for inspecting similar

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In 1989, they carried out general inspections on 36 per cent of passenger ships and 80 per cent of cargo vessels. The next year, only 32 per cent of passenger ships un-derwent general inspection. although checks on cargo vessels rose to 94 per cent.

The committee, which has a Conservative majority, said:
We expect the department in
future to achieve their target
of carrying out a full general
inspection of each roll-on rolloff ferry at least once a year. We recognise the value of the large number of examinations of different kinds carried out on roll-on roll-off ferries. But, given the impor-tance of the safety of these vessels, we do not consider this work provides the degree of assurance the travelling public are entitled to expect.

The committee also com-plained that, too often, inspections were done while a ship was in dock, where officials were less likely to discover dangerous practices.

For many years the de-

concentrated on ensuring the fabric of vessels is saic rather than testing the ship in opera-tion," it said.

We note, however, that operational factors and himman error are a major cause of accidents and that the department's general inspections would not have iden-tions would not have iden-tified the problem leading to the Herald of Free Enterprise actident. We share the department's concern that, even after that accident, they were still finding a high number of operational defects when in-

specting passenger ferries.

The report also questions delays in learning other lessons of recent disasters, such as the need for a check to be kept on passenger names and numbers, "We regard it as unsatisfactory that, although the importance to the rescue services of accurate and speedy passenger counting systems was underlined by the Herald of Free Enterprise accident in 1987, the department did not introduce a requirement for such proce-dures for smaller passenger vessels operating on the Thames and other inland waterways until after the Marchioness accident, some two years later," the committee

House of Commons committee of public accounts 6th report: ship safety (Stationery Office; £8.75)



United front: from left to right, Irene Adams, John McAllion, George Galloway, Dennis Canavan and Mike Watson, who tried to prevent the removal of the Commons mace in a protest against water privatisation

#### Skinner bridges troubled waters

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

wing Labour MP so often portrayed as the villain of the piece in the Commons, iurned unlikely peacemaker yesterday as he became a mediator between a group of protesting Scottish MPs and Tony Newton, leader of the

As MPs prepared for their three-month summer break, five members of the Scotland United group, which cam-paigns for Scottish devolution, staged an impromptu protest in the chamber against what they claim are plans to privatise Scotland's water industry. George Galloway, John McAllion, Irene Adams. Mike Watson and Dennis Canavan linked arms to prevent officials from removing the Commons mace. Removal of the mace, the symbol of the Speaker's authority, formally signifies the end of Commons business.

In the absence of Geoffrey Lofthouse, the deputy Speak-er, Mr Skinner, MP for Bolsover, usurped the Speaker's chair to preside over a mock division of the House on the issue of Scottish water privatisation. Unsurprisingly, the remaining caucus vot-

DENNIS Skinner, the left- ed unanimously against any

As the band of MPs steadfastly refused to leave the chamber, Mr Skinner engaged in some swift shuttle diplomacy to set up talks with Mr Newton. The MPs finally left the chamber after 18 minutes when Mr Skinner arranged a meeting. Mr Newton later assured the protesters that their concerns over the water industry's future would be passed to Ian

Lang, the Scottish secretary. Scottish MPs had been angered by a written answer from Mr Lang last week which said that the government had employed independent consultants to examine how the private sector might contribute enterprise and investment to the Scottish water

Donald Dewar, shadow Scottish secretary, quickly distanced the Labour party from the MPs' action. "The MPs concerned acted for themselves. They consulted no one and gave no warning to colleagues," Mr Dewa said. "Instances of this kind are designed to harden attitudes, not to achieve

#### Holidays give Tories a break

The government's determination to minimise the impact of the John Smith succession has sent Westminster off on its holidays two weeks earlier than usual. For the Tory whips the recess has come not a moment too soon. The elec-tion euphoria has faded and it is a fractious edgy. Tory party which is heading for the hills.

Some older hands note wryly that the businessmen now complaining that ERM membership is re-stricting the government's ability to lower interest rates are the very same who two years ago were de-manding that the government should meet the economic problems of the the ERM.

Within the government's own ranks astute critics such as Nicholas Budgen. Michael Spicer and Sir Peter Tapsell have ensured that the one thing ministers wished to prevent has come about the Maastricht treaty and the faltering economy are no longer separate issues and there is little evidence that Tory MPs have the nerve to play the kind of long game to which John Major and Nor-Lamont are man

committed. Some things have gone better than expected. The government had allowed a good deal of parliamentary time for the Boundary Commissions bill, expected to ensure a bonus of at least a dozen seats for the Tories at the next election. But there has been no row. Labour's failure to make anything of it, possibly a wise move in terms of its own party psychology, has even left some senior ministers wondering if the changes are going to bring

such advantages after all. Local government elections went well. Progress has been made with open government. The cabinet, so far, is remarkably united. The Labour leadership contest has thrown up little evidence of new thinking on the left.

But it is a strangely unsettled Tory party, sur-prised perhaps to be still in office, divided across the political generations and somehow lacking cohesion. 'Support the citizen's charter" is not enough of a rallying call. The whips have failen out badly with the new generation of MPs.

I a government with a Imajority of only 21 is in this much bother when the Opposition has so far been almost totally diverted then life is going to get much tougher come the autumn when Labour is up and running as a hungry Opposi-tion under a new leader.

Mr Smith will face his own problems. Labour too is split on Maastricht. Some want the party to cause the government max-

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By ROMN OAKLEY

imum embarrassment by voting against ratification. Others ask how Labour could left is socialist colling to the leagues in Europe down the river, denying them the treaty for the sake of cheap party political advantage.

Mr Smith still has to how Labour's commitments to help the poorer sections of society can be financed without taxation levels sufficient to alienate most of the rest. Labour's failure once again to secure an election victory in April party riven on devolution and a prey once more to nationalists. Mr Smith, the unions' man, also has to sort out Labour's relationship with the trade unions. Without them, they would be broke, but the relation-

ship also costs votes. As for Mr Ashdown, he probably faces the biggest problem of all in raising party morale. Yet again election promise failed to carry through in the polling booths. His open firting with more co-operative opposition has alarmed some of his troops that he is planning a Lib-Lab pact. The failure to make an election breakthrough has damaged his personal standing in the Commons, as is patently obvious from question-time

interventions.

Teading off for the re-Heating on for the renone of them happy bun-nies. But the real worry when they face their constituents may be deeper than mere party concerns. All over the world there is evidence of the alienation of politicians from their electorates. And although we under-pay our MPs and give them ludicrously poor facilities with which to do their lobe it was common and their jobs it was simply not tactful, in the week before a three-month recess, to vote in a much beftier officecosts allowance than the government was intending

They will have to live through those "snouts in the trough" accusations, But we have moved, willy nilly, much closer to the state financing of political parties. And the publicity surrounding the latest move may yet have a con-siderable backlash, particularly for the Tories. If constituency associations feel that MPs are getting plenty of state cash to do their jobs then they will cease putting in the voluntary effort. And on the Labour side, potential party workers are going to feel even more inclined to work for single-issue pressure groups. They may yet rue that £11,000 increase.

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#### Arkansas governor puts faith in the speech of his life to take him to the White House

#### Clinton aims to win over **Perot voters**

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN NEW YORK

BILL Clinton, crowned as the Democrats' presidential nominee amid scenes of frenzied euphoria on Wednesday evening, last night prepared to deliver the speech of his life, one his party hoped would catapult him into the White House this November and end a 12-year Republican

monopoly.

The speech assumed still greater importance in the light of Ross Peror's sudden withdrawal from the race, casting adrift millions of voters, many disaffected Republicans, who are now politically homeless.

The Arkansas governor's huge task was to banish forever the sordid images of adultery, draft-evasion and dishonesty that have dogged him since New Hampshire's primary, and represent himself to America as a young man of integrity, vision and vigour in the Camelotian mould of John and Robert Kennedy.

A specially-commissioned 14-minute film telling the



moving story of Mr Clinton's rise from poverty and adversi-ty in small-town Arkansas was designed to reinforce efforts to give the Democrat such a strong, positive image that he will be immune this autumn from the sort of Republican character assassination that destroyed Michael Dukakis in

The Clinton camp bet the speech would cap a triumphant Wednesday when polls showed the Democrat had surged into a record 12 point over President Bush. party huminaries annointed him with speeches of soaring rhetoric, and the state of Ohio finally confirmed his presidential nomination, its 144 rollcall votes giving him 99 more than the 2,145 he needed.

ton walked dramatically on to the packed convention floor with his wife and daughter, sending Madison Square Garden into paroxysms of placard-waving ecstasy as clouds of glitter poured from the heavens and stirring music

blasted from giant speakers. Traditionally the candidate avoids the convention until his final-night acceptance speech, but Mr Clinton's appearance was yet another move to exploit the Kennedy mystique. A film celebrating Robert Kennedy's life had been screened earlier. "The rules of the convention problem of the convention of the conventi the convention preclude my acceptance tonight," said the 44-year-old governor, "but 32 years ago another young candidate who wanted to get this country moving again came to this convention to say a simple thank-you." The reference was to John Kennedy at the 1960 Los Angeles convention.

Earlier, in an impressive display of the party's new-found unity, Mr Clinton, a southern moderate, was ringingly endorsed not only by the conservative Paul Tsongas and progressive Bob Kerrey, men he beat to the nomina-tion, but more crucially by Edward Kennedy and Mario Cuomo, the party's most inspiring orators and cham-pions of the Democrats' bedrock northern liberalism. In an electric nomination speech Mr Cuomo, the New

York governor who himself contemplated a presidential bid, mocked a Republican elite that, seeing a callous on their palms, concluded "it's time to put down their polomaller". He damned the economic and social consequences of Republican rule, claiming millions now heard "the sound of gunfire before they've ever heard an

He declared that "the ship of state is headed for the rocks. The crew knows it. The passengers know it. Only the captain - President Bush appears not to know it. He seems to think that the ship will be saved by imperceptible undercurrents, directed by the invisible hand of some cyclical economic god, that will gradually move the ship so that at the last moment it will miracu-

lously glide to safer shores."

Mr Cuomo lauded Mr Clinton as a man of intelligence, vitality and extraordinary strength of character. "Step aside, Mr Bush," he demanded in his peroration. "It's time for a change." Democrats were thrilled by an ABC News-Washington Post poll, departure, giving Mr Clinton 42 per cent, Mr Bush 30 and the Texan 20. Amongst those certain to vote Mr Clinton had a 17-point lead.

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Great Value Summer Breaks.





Three's a crowd: Bill Clinton, left, enjoys silver confetti and adulation at the Democratic convention; Ross Perot announces his departure from the presidential race; and President Bush, below, fishes in Wyoming



#### **Two-horse race forces Democratic** team to rethink election strategy

FASTER than the fall of confetti from the roof of Madison Square Garden, the American political scenery has shifted again. The news that Ross Perot is out of the presidential race signals an immediate battle for millions of voters who were angry enough to back an untried Texan billionaire rather than

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spent their lives. The view both from Bill Clinton's New York headquarters and from the Wyoming river bank, where President Bush and James Baker are on a fishing holiday, is transformed. The voters still

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Democrats are talking of a landslide victory but the real battle has not even begun, writes Peter Stothard

are angry — and for a while, they will be floating free to be caught by whichever side best matches their mood.

as Bill Clinton was putting final touches to his acceptance speech. He watched on television while Mr Perot praised the "revitalised Democratic party" which, he said, had played a major part in his decision to give up his fight.

In the balloon-filled Intercontinental Hotel, where Mr Clinton and his team had danced long after their Wednesday night nomination, aides were "back at the drawing board". They had to weigh the welcome flattery against the danger that the conservative vote in southern states, split by the attraction of Perot, would now be united behind Mr Bush again.

Mario Cuomo, the governor of New York, had already prepared delegates the previous night by dismissing Mr Perot as a passing fad whose rise proved only that Ameri-cans wanted the "change" that Democrats would eventually provide. That has been the predominant view among delegates here.

The timing, however, was a surprise. Few thought that Mr Perot would act so fast. "Ross Perot has been wrecked by this brutal process", said one senior aide, "and our united convention may have given him just the excuse he was looking for". Mr Clinton's turned out to be a big difference between the two rivals.

Today, after a week of carefully contrived unity, talk about a "landstide" victory in November. But as chief strategist James Carville warns anyone who will listen, "the real battle has not even begun". Mr Bush must know now that this is his best chance to win back lost ground.

Already there are freelance advertisements that accuse Mr Clinton of causing a pregnant girifriend to commit suicide. Mr Carville yesterday refused to accept White House denials of complicity, and predicted that there was much more "slash and burn" to come. Before Mr Clinton's trium-

phant nomination, the night was one of nostalgia, dissent and doubt. Edward Kennedy won the most emotional an plause for his hymn to the lost ideal of equality and his pandering prediction of a Senate in which half the members were women. Jerry Brown maintained his noisy refusal to endorse Bill Clinton and attacked "the complacent illusion" that those who talk of change will act for change. Talking about change was Mr Clinton's whole week's work.

And then there was Mario Cuomo. I watched his speech alongside the New York delegation on the convention floor. There was an audible intake of breath at his opening words: "It seems to me that this is not thick skin against criticism has a matter of our wanting Bill

Clinton", "My God,", said the man beside me. But Mr Cuomo went on: "We need Bill Clinton because he is our only hope for change."
"Phew," went the man.

Mr Cuomo and Mr Clinton have disagreed over virtually everything. But Mr Cuomo's ambitions and ideals do now 'need" a Clinton victory and did his oratorical best to deliver a northeast liberal endorsement for the "man born poor in Hope, Arkansas".

Mr Cuomo is the only person in the Democratic party who can declaim controlled rhetoric of the kind that politics used to demand. He denounced Mr Bush as the captain of a ship of state that defeat is decided. was heading for the rocks. Raising and lowering his voice, varying his gestures, he contrasted the neglect of inner cities where "we had the will but not the wallet" to the rescue of the Savings and Loans industry when "mirabile dictu, the heavens opened and, out of the blue, billions of dollars appeared".



#### How anger fuelled third man's campaign

Jamie Detimer looks at the maverick who broke one political rule too many

I e was greeted by Americans fed up with the two-party presidential race as a saviour who could achieve change rather than just talk-ing about it, as a man of action who could restore America's economy and its America's economy and its confidence. The independent challenge for the White House mounted by Ross Perot, the maverick Texan billionaire, ignited this year's presidential contest and terrified Democrats and Republicans. Mr Perot's decision to drop out of the presidential race may have taken his diehard supporters by surprise but over the past few weeks the Texan's campaign was in serious trouble.

When he announced on a television chat show in February that he would run if his supporters could place his name on the ballots in all 50 states, few political experts believed that the diminutive computer businessman was serious. Even his wife, watching the programme in a hotel room, was astonished. "I can't believe you did that," she said. But the widespread voter anger that fuelled the insuranger that melien the insur-gency campaigns of Patrick Buchanan, President Bush's Republican challenger, and Jerry Brown, the former Cali-forma governor, propelled Mr Perot's run on the White House and pushed the Texan up the opinion polls at an larming rate.

He was, with his Marine style short hairstyle and east Texas twang, an entirely un-likely presidential candidate. His autocratic way of running his companies and his improbable adventures in Iran and Vietnam certainly made him stand out from the more conventional figures of President Bush and Bill Clinton. the Democratic frontrumer. But then, this year's White House contest has been anything but conventional.

When the Texan billionwonders what went wrong with his independent challenge for the White House, the e of Ed Rollins, the yeteran political strategist who quit the Perot camp on Wednesday, will hammer away in his brain. Mr Rollins' resigna-tion over "irreconcilable dif-ferences" with the autocratic Mr Perot was one of those allimportant moments in a political contest when victory and

The old rules of American electoral politics were knocked for six when Mr Perot rose suddenly in the opinion polls and overtook President Bush in the popularity ratings. But some of the old rules still applied and by failing to observe them Mr Perot undermined his own campaien.

At the weekend, there were

intense discussions between the professionals and Mr Perot's business associates. Mr Rollins, who had had little direct access even to the billionaire, presented three options hand over the run-ning of the campaign to himself, continue on the current course and see the campaign collapse or leave the presidential race. Within, Mr Perot accepted that his cam-paign could not win. At a press conference at his Dallas headquarters yesterday, Mr Perot said he was withdraw-ing because he did not want to disrupt the American political

#### Ottawa deal in danger

THE constitutional deal be-tween the federal government and nine Canadian provinces is fraying at the edges and may be in danger of falling apart (John Best writes from Ottawa).

Opposition is mounting to the settlement in the French' speaking province of Quebec. which was not represented at the meeting in Ottawa where the deal was hammered out. the deal was nammered out.

A five-hour meeting of the federal cabinet on Wednesday apparently failed to resolve serious divisions among ministers over the proposed plan. Even Brian Mulroney, the prime minister, and Joe Clark, his minister for constitutional affairs, had their differences. Mr Clark said both before and after Wednesday's meeting that the fundamental elements of last week's agree-ment, including a controver-sial proposal to overhaul the Senate, the upper house of Canada's parliament, will not

be changed.

Mr Mulroney, however, emphasised that the accord, which he said had been worked out "informally" by Mr Clark and premiers of the nine English-speaking prov-inces, was not the definitive

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Quebec is to hold a referendum on sovereignty on Octo-ber 26 but this could become a vote on renewed federalism.

Visits legalised

Taipei: Taiwan removed the last barrier to exchange with the communist government on the mainland when parliament approved the Statute for Relations Across the Taiwan Strait to legalise visits to China by Taiwanese politicians and

Japan hesitates

Tokyo: Kiichi Miyazawa, Japan's prime minister, has changed his mind on the deployment of troops overseas and said that his soldiers will not be allowed to join United Nations peacekeeping opera-tions in Cambodia until the Khmer Rouge is disarmed.

#### China defied

Hong Kong: Legislators of Hong Kong set the scene for another political hattle with China by voting, by an unex-pectedly large majority of 28 to 23, for a simple British-style system of first past the post vot-ing for the 1995 general elec-tion in the colony.

#### Li rebuffed

Peking: At the suggestion of Deng Xiaoping, the senior leader, Peking is to revise is five-year plan to boost eco-nomic growth. The move is seen as a rebuff to Li Peng, the prime minister, who has lobbied for a cautious growth rate of 6 per cent.

#### Birth control

Manila: President Ramos of the Philippines announced a policy to check fast population growth and appeared on course for conflict with the influential Roman Catholic Church, Mr Ramos is the first Protestant president of Asia's only Catholic country.

#### Sharma wins

Delhi: Shankar Dayal Sharma, 71, the Congress of nominee, won a decisive victory over his rival. George Gilbert Swell, in the presidential election. Dr Sharma, a former Cambridge don, takes over as India's ninth president at the end of the month.

#### Case closed

Cincinnati: Prosecutors in the case of John Demjanjuk, who was sentenced to death in Israel for being the Nazi death camp guard "Ivan the Terri-ble", said that there was no evidence to justify reopening the case for his extradition from

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#### Rodney King jailed for drink-driving after crash

Rodney King was jailed and charged for driving under the influence of alcohol yesterday after crashing into a concrete post shortly after 2am in the car park of a Californian restaurant. After refusing to give samples, he was taken to a police station and later re-leased. Mr King, whose not guilty police beating trial verdict in April led to the Los Angeles riots, was arrested in June after allegedly hitting his wife but no charges were laid. His attorney. Steve Lerman, who is preparing a civil case against the city of Los Angeles over the beating, said that his client was suffering from severe post traumatic stress

following the media attention

been under a great deal of pressure and is suffering from a serious medical condition. We'll all be very glad when it's

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Unpublished letters from Ernest Hemingway show he feared losing manuscripts. used newspaper stories as background for his novels, was jealous of his wife and thought For Whom The Bell Tolls his best work. The six letters, bought by a rare-book collector, won the Hemingwayana Contest, which is a national search for Hemingway memorabilia and is part of the week-long Key West Heminoway Days festival

Woody Guthrie, the wandering minstrel of the Great Depression and Dust Bowl, no longer is being shunned at home. It took 24 years and the fall of communism, but his memory is welcome in Okemah Guthrie, whose folk songs include This Land is Your Land had been condemned in this aging oil-boom town, even after his

death in 1967. Now Okemah

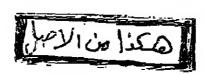
has extended its apologies with a folk-art festival in the

singer's name. King Husain of Jordan has left for Damasous for talks with President Assad, the Syrian leader, on the latest developments in the Middle

East peace process, officials said. It is his first visit to Damascus since last August **-**The quirky drama series from

CBS. Northern Exposure gained 16 nominations in Los Angeles yesterday to lead all competitors in the 44th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards. overall with 100 nominations. CBS was second with 70, followed by ABC with 63. The winners will be announced next month. Nominations for Northern Exposure included lead actor for Rob Morrow and supporting actor for John Corbett. The series was also nominated for outstanding drama alone with IA I aw

edy series nominations included NBC's Cheers. Recommendations for best acress in a drama series went to Kate Nelligan of the Disney Channel's Avonlea, Angela Lans-bury of Murder, She Wrote, and Sharon Gless of The Trials of Rosie O'Neill. In the comedy actor category was Ted Danson of Cheers, last year's winner Burt Reynolds of Evening Shade, and John Goodman of Roseanne. The Tonight Show starring Johnny Carson was nominated for outstanding variety, music or comedy programme in a senti-mental tribute. Carson retired in May after 30 years in show



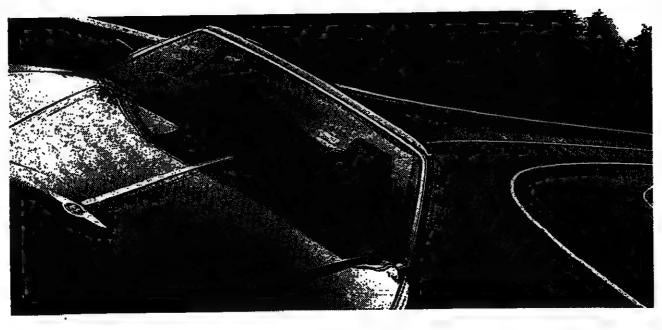
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#### Island's radical reforms wither under Lenin's hard gaze

MOST Russians know at least three things about Sa-khalin: it is an island; Che-khov spent time here recording conditions in the tsar's prison camps; and it has a go-ahead administrator. Valentin Fyodorov, who wants to make Sakhalin a model for Russian economic reform. What they may not know is that Sakhalin is cold, damp and foggy, and this is a reality that cramps even Mr Fyodorov's expansive style.

Sakhalin is among the many regions of the former Soviet Union which lament that their natural resources should have made them as rich as Kuwait - and then sit back to curse a malevolent fate. Mr Fyodorov says he is trying to prove that Russians can run a normal economy as well as anyone else. Two years and three months into his tenure, however, Sakhalin appears not significantly bet-

ter developed than other areas of the Russian periphery. In Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, the regional capital of Sakhalin, lifts. is of miniature green hills, fading into a blue haze, with blue green trees that

could take their place on a Japanese painting. Into the oriental charm, however, intrude all the usual Soviet eyesores. Only a single Japa-nese building, now the local museum, survives from 50 years of Japanese rule before 1945. The outskirts are stud-ded with barracks-like buildings interspersed with

Mr Evodorov treats conversations as a performance. He likes to be noticed, and he basks in the attention created by his move from a Moscow professorship to the governorship of Sakhalin. He said he

The rich island of Sakhalin, with huge investment potential, is languishing in the grip of Moscow, Mary Dejevsky writes from Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk

— his reforms — are on course. Sakhalin's economic helped by a prevailing philo-sophical confusion, some of it of Mr Fyodorov's making. He is reputed to be a radical. Yet all the symbols of commu-nism are in place. Lenin is in his square, the old names are in tact. Only Communist Street has provoked adverse comment, yet a proposal that it be renamed Vladimirovka Street, after the original name of the city, was rejected.

Like many Russian economists, Mr Fyodorov advocated privatisation before freeing prices, and he stands by that. Mr Fyodorov himself is starting to sound positively Without private business, foreign capital will just flow conservative. "You have to be back to the state and reinforce system that needs to be

transition will take at least ten

years." He called the "500-

day" programme, advocated

by radical economists in the

Gorbachev years, "pure adventurism", but said that the

current plans of the Russian

government were ten times more irresponsible. "The

economy is like a bottle of

champagne. If you open it too

fast, everything will spill out. You need to do it slowly."

will sign anything for a price." He also emphasised the need own" entrepreneurs and not rely on outside help.

Yet Sakhalin probably has more investment potential than almost anywhere in Russia. American, Japanese and South Korean firms are engaged in a cut-throat competi-tion to prospect for oil on the Caviar, crab and salmon are caught in abundance and sold abroad. Hard currency should be no problem - except that the "centre", in Mr Fyodorov's experience,

still takes the profits. He cited a recent deal whereby prospecting rights to part of the shelf went to an American-Japanese consortium for \$15 million (£7.8 million) - almost half of which was supposed to go to

account and Moscow spent it.
"There is nothing left," said Mr Fvodorov, "I am raising hell about that at the

The governor conceded that the regions, including Sakhalin, have more freedom than in the past. But, he said, Moscow was repeating many of the old Soviet centre's mistakes, trying to govern through central ministries. Conflicts between the regions and the centre clearly continue, but the governor's com-bative style and contempt for the Russian government may also make life more difficult for him and for Sakhalin than it need to be. Where is all this economic freedom, you ask continually, that Mr Fyo-dorov and his men set out to snatch? They have a rich island as their test ground, why has so little been

The old peasants' market is a shadow of a market. The empty stone counters outnumber those with anything on sale. Privatisation, as Sakhalin's democrat politicians complain loudly, has hardly begun. It is an open secret that, despite a much-vaunted "business centre" in Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, many joint ventures with foreign companies have served only to get luxury fish cheaply on to foreign markets and allow individual

gling to survive, there is no infrastructure for them. The cash shortage is so severe that a reluctant population has almost trained itself to use cheques. Some factory workers have threatened violence if their wages are not

paid.
Mr Fyodorov's experiment has run into the very same difficulties that are faced by economic reforms everywhere else in the former Soviet Union. But with his insistence that Sakhalin can trade on its uniqueness and that he will show the way, the governor has made enemies not just in Moscow but far closer at hand. "The transformation predicted by Fyodorov has not happened," wrote one local newspaper bitterly, and the word is out that the governor, for all the model bad experiences." for all his undoubted expertise, is a showman and not

#### Factions fail to meet in London

#### Yugoslav talks slide towards collapse

By Eve-Ann Prentice

was soon tempered, howev-

Karadzic was "not well-inten-

tioned in the context of the

principles of the European

Mr Šilajdzic. The Serb lead-

Bosnia during the night, in-

flicting heavy casualties. Serbs

had reached the banks of the

river Sava which forms the

Bosnian border with Croatia.

an international force of naval

vessels and aircraft began

patrolling Yugoslavia's Adri-

atic coast yesterday to enforce

The safe haven proposal was made during Mr Hurd's

brief stopover in Ljubljana at

the start of his four-day visit to

the republics of former Yugo-

slavia, and Albania. Slovene

leaders strongly urged him to

back a tightening of sanctions

against Serbia, but in contrast

to the Bosnian leaders, whom

he will see today, did not call

for Western military interven-

tion. Instead they urged the

West to step up its efforts to

isolate Serbia politically and

economically.

Belgrade: Milan Panic, the

Yugoslav prime minister, said

yesterday that he planned to visit Sarajevo, perhaps by the

end of the week, to open talks

aimed at ending the ethnic

conflict in Hercegovina. (AFP)

a trade embargo.

Nato said in Brussels that

LORD Carrington's latest attempt to bring peace to Bosnia seemed doomed to collapse last night, after a second day of London peace talks when the leaders of the warring factions failed even to speak to one

Although Radovan Karadzic, Bosnia's Serbian warlord, announced he had ordered his commanders to halt the siege of the town of Gorazde, it was not enough to persuade Haris Silajdzic, the republic's Muslim foreign minister, and Mate Boban, the Croat leader, to hold face-

The one glimmer of hope — when the Croat leader later

SLOVENIA yesterday called

for the setting-up of safe havens in Bosnia, where refu-

gees from the fighting would

be protected by international

forces. The proposal was made by President Kucan, after talks

in Liubijana with Douglas

whelmed by 70,000 refugees,

mostly Muslims, fleeing from

Bosnia, and with the closing of

frontiers by Italy, Hungary,

and Austria, the numbers will

rapidly increase. However,

Mr Hurd poured cold water

on the idea, saying that any such proposal would have to

be examined very carefully.

"It's not something you can do

without very careful study of

the obstacles and dangers —

not least the dangers to those

you are trying to protect."

He said establishing safe

havens would be a matter for

the United Nations, and the

UN forces in former Yugosla-

via, which he thought were

not yet equipped for such a task. But he said Britain and

the EC were ready to look at

any ideas that helped bring

Mr Hurd spoke as fighting

continued in Sarajevo, the

Bosnian capital, where a mor-

tar shell slammed into a busy

market and killed two people.

The city shook throughout the

night under the heaviest artil-

lery barrage for a week. The Serbian news agency in Bos-nia said Serb forces had

routed ethnic Croats at Novi

Grad and Dubica in northern

safety to those in danger.

Hurd, the foreign secretary. Slovenia has been over-

Hurd turns down

safe haven plea

FROM MICHAEL BINYON IN ZAGREB

said he was prepared to meet Mr Silajdzic and Dr Karadzic lowed by a burst of fighting across Bosnia.

legitimise the fighting," said Mr Silaidzic "They offer er, when he added that Dr ceasefires and come to talks and the killing goes on because they want an ethnically cleansed greater Serbia."

The London talks began on Wednesday when the faction Mr Silajdzic said he was leaders met Lord Carrington sending Lord Carrington a separately. It was unclear last letter accusing the Serb and Croat leaders of meeting in the night whether the faltering process would limp into a Bosnian capital, Sarajevo, earlier this month to carve up Dr Karadzic's declaration of Bosnia. "It was agreed that the an end to the siege of Gorazde Serbs will recognise the Crowas greeted with scepticism by atian region of Herceg-Bosnia as the state of the Bosnian and er's offer on Wednesday of a Herzegovinian Croats in a confederative arrangement with a possible link to Belgrade and Zagreb respectively," the letter said. Mr Boban and Dr Karadzic separately denounced the claim as "a

> On Wednesday, Mr Silajdzic proposed a Muslim peace plan offering equal shares of cabinet posts to the other two communities, but his concept of a unitary state is unacceptable to the Serbs.

Dr Karadzic said of Mr Silaidzic's repeated outbursts in the past two days: "As a psychiatrist, I would say Mr Silaidzic is too emotional; it is not going to help to blame one another. It shows the Muslim side is not in favour of talks. I was very optimistic after I saw Lord Carrington, but after I saw Silajdzic I was pessimistic." In an open letter to the Muslim delegation, he called for face-to-face discussions.

Meanwhile, Mr Boban, the Croat leader, sat in his hotel room and accused Dr Karadzic and Alija !zetbegovic, the Bosnian president, of "politicking and causing all our problems". He went on to say: "I believe a tripartite meeting would be unproductive at this stage. When the EC believes the time is right for that, the time will

 War crimes claim: Senior British government sources said last night there was sufficient prima facie evidence to warrant an investigation into war crimes by Serbian forces. Sodako Ogata, of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, told John Major yesterday there had been breaches of human rights amounting to breaches of the Geneva convention and cited abuses committed against Muslims in Sarajevo by Serbian forces.

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One-man band: an elderly citizen singing anti-war songs in a central square in Zagreb, the Croatian capital, to protest against the fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Tens of thousands of refugees from the republic have fied to Croatia to escape the war

#### Clamp on missiles agreed

By MICHAEL EVANS

INTELLIGENCE services from the East and West have agreed to unprecedented cooperation to try to stop the proliferation of ballistic missiles and components for veapons of mass destruction, Foreign Office and defence ministry officials said in London yesterday.
The most difficult area for

intelligence and customs officials was to identify the dual-use components being exported from different countries which could end up as parts of a ballistic missile or as items for the construction of nuclear, chemical or biological

weapon systems.
Officials said meetings had been held this week between the Americans and their Nato partners on global protection against limited strikes.

#### Venice judiciary investigates De Michelis for corruption

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

MAGISTRATES have begun moves to lift the parliamentary immunity of Gianni De Michelis, the former Italian foreign minister, judicial

sources said yesterday.
Signor De Michelis, a flamboyant figure who was foreign minister for three years until last month, was told this week that he was under investigation for alleged corruption by magistrates in his Venice

Magistrates have also asked for immunity to be lifted on Carlo Bernini, the former transport minister, and two other parliamentarians in an investigation into the awarding of public contracts. The request, which is standard procedure, was sent to the local attorney's office in Venice and will be passed on to parliament in Rome.

tion to become deputy leader of his Socialist party may be thwarted now, political commentators said yesterday. He has denied any connection with the bribery allegations made against Socialist and Christian Democrat politicians in his native Venice, where he is nicknamed "the Doge" because of his reputed

control of the local party.
The long-haired former representative of Italy abroad, who made diplomatic history by becoming the first European foreign minister to write a guide to disco dancing, has accused Venice magistrates of acting according to "a theo-rem" under which he must have known about the activities of his followers allegedly taking bribes in return for giving out lucrative public works contracts. He insisted that these "were completely

unknown to me", and vowed "to put myself at the total disposition of the judiciary to

prove it". Commentators said yesterday that the affair may have cost the normally exuberant politician the job of deputy party secretary, previously held by Giuliano Arnato, the new prime minister.

Signor De Michelis met Bettino Craxi, the party secretary, on Wednesday at party headquarters in the Via del Corso. Signor Craxi previously was reported to have all but promised Signor De Michelis he would become the party number two. But La Stampa newspaper said Signor De Michelis returned after the meeting "without knowing if Craxi will name him deputy secretary or if instead he will be sacrificed to keep public opinion happy".

#### Pope takes short walk in hospital

Rome: The Pope walked around his room at the Gemelli hospital yesterday after recovering from the removal of a benign intestinal tumour (John Phillips writes). A medical builetin said the pontiff, 72, required a sedative to ease moderate pain that was normal after the operation he underwent on Wednesday.

"He had a tranquil night and

is resting," a Vatican spokes-man said. The Pope took his

#### first steps since the surgery. No' to Sladek

Prague: The Czechoslovak parliament overwhelmingly rejected the candidature of Miroslay Sladek, the far-right Republican party head, for the federal presidency. Mr Sladek was sole candidate. (Reuter)

#### Mayor guilty

Brussels: Edouard Close, a former Belgian interior minister and mayor of Liege, was given a 28-month suspended sentence after a trial linking the city's Socialists with widespread corruption and the murder of a former minister.

#### Envoy attacked

Potsdam: Protesters here threw eggs at the car carrying Ali Akbar Velayati, the Iranian foreign minister. No one was burt. The German foreign ministry said he would fly home from his visit earlier than scheduled "because of security reasons".(AP)

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#### Charges filed

Paris: Henri Emmanuelli, the speaker of the French parliaspeaker of the French pama-ment, will face charges over the the idegal financing of the So-cialist party, which he served as treasurer in the late 1980s. President Mitterrand defended M Emmanuelli as a man of great integrity.

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#### France shies away from admitting Vichy guilt tor of Shoah, the epic film

Signor De Michelis' ambi-

F ifty years from the mass round-up of Paris's Jews France yesterday took stock of the barbarities committed by its wartime officials, but President Mitterrand appeared intent on ignoring appeals to give formal recogmition to the guilt of the Vichy

M Mitterrand was last night to become the first president to lay a wreath at the site of the Velodrome d'Hiver, where, on July 16 and 17, 1942, the French police imprisoned 13,000 children, in appalling condi-tions before sending them to die in Auschwitz and other camps. Of 76,000 Jews deported from France, some 2.400 survived. The day was full of stark to the fiftieth anniversary of the French police round-up of Jews

Charles Bremner examines reactions

illustrations of France's con-tinuing inability to come to terms with its wartime past. M Mitterrand was both assailed and congratulated for rejecting the call of intellectuals and Jewish leaders, many his friends, to acknowledge for posterity France's role in

On Bastille day, M Mit-terrand said the crimes of Vichy France had nothing to do with the French repub lic, re-established by General de Gaulle. Le Monde, like most newspapers, yesterday regretted M Mitterrand's words. "It would not injure the memory of those who resisted the Nazis or of the Republic to admit that France, at least in its official form at the time, had been an agent of barbarism," it said. The left-wing Libération.

usually a supporter of the president, wondered how anyone would dare honour the victims of the Vichy state while refusing to identify their executioners. "We have to believe that a half-century has not been enough for official France to look its history in the face," it said. Taking the contrary view,

Claude Lanzmann, the direc-

which would dishonour the tens of thousands of French who died resisting the German occupation: "If the French handed over Jews, others, far more than we hear nowadays, saved them."

A fter a spate of recent historical research and a deluge of media coverage this week, few in France are unaware that the Vél d'Hiv raids were organised and conducted by French offici-als, a fact which was swept under the rug in the late 1940s when de Gauile sought to re-unite the country.

about the extermination of the Jews, said M Mitterrand

was right not to take a step

The police struck at dawn, hammering down the doors of Jewish families. They were given five minutes to pack

before being herded into buses and taken to the Vel d'Hiv where they were kept for five days in summer heat with no lavatories, food or water. Pierre Laval, the Vichy prime minister, had ordered the arrest of all children, despite German instructions. Raymonde Knych, one of the children who managed

later to escape, explained yesterday how her mother had hidden, but had burst out in tears and was discovered when the police found her daughter. The family had been denounced by the neighbours. Ginette Rozen-blum was aged ten when ber family were awakened by a knock on the door. "Two policemen came to our doorand said: 'Prepare your suitcases.' They were French," said Mme Rozenblum,

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FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

STRONG hints emerged yes-terday of a long-awaited warming in the strained relations between Egypt and Isra-el which have resulted in little of the hoped-for normalisation of ties since the Camp David treaty of 1979.

Israel's freeze vesterday on its controversial settlement building programme on occupied Arab land was swiftly followed by an announce-ment from Egypt that it would create the right atmosphere for a summit between President Mubarak and Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister. It will be the first between leaders of the two former enemies at such a

level since 1986. Muhammad Abdel-Moneim, the Egyptian presiden-tial spokesman, said: "Hours ago, Rabin's government announced suspension of new building contracts in the West Bank and Gaza and this is an earnest step that helps



#### Syrians to stay on in Beirut

FROM ALI JABER

SYRIA said yesterday that it would not withdraw its forces from Beirut by September. defying the provisions of the peace accord which ended the civil war in Lebanon in 1990.

The announcement by Ab-del-Halim Khaddam, the Syrian vice-president and the architect of Damascus's policy in Lebanon, came in an interview with Beirut's French-language newspaper, L'Orient le Jour. His remarks immediately fuelled heated debates, pitting Lebanon's indistians against dio-Syman Muslims on the wisdom of holding the country's first parliamentary elections in 20 years before Syria's 35,000 troops leave Beirut for eastern Bekaa in September, "If they want to wait for our departure to hold the polls, then I tell them we are staying until September and after that date as well," Mr Khaddam declared.

The Lebanese parliament was expected yesterday to approve an election bill which could pave the way for polls to be held between August 16 and September 26. But most Christian leaders have rejected staging elections before the Syrians leave and have threatened a civil unrest campaign if the bill were passed.

create a suitable climate for

an important meeting be-tween President Mubarak

and Prime Minister Rabin." He refused to comment on

reports in Cairo's opposition

press that Egypt and Israel

have begun contacts to arrange a time and venue for a

summit. Israeli sources said

they expected a meeting to

take place before Mr Rabin's

scheduled visit to America

Jewish settlements and per-

sonal antipathy prevented Mr Mubarak from meeting

Yitzhak Shamir, the hardline

Likud former prime minister

defeated in last month's Is-

raeli elections. In 1986 Mr

Mubarak had met in Egypt with Shimon Peres, then the

Labour prime minister and

In a veiled attack on Mr Shamir, Mr Abdel-Moneim

said: "President Mubarak re-

peatedly stated that he would

be prepared to meet Israel's

prime minister if such a meet-

ing promised positive results,

meeting the aspirations of the people's of the region. But

Israel's former prime minis-

ter did not respond to this

approach, and consequently no summit materialised." Apart from moving for-ward the wider Middle East

peace process, Arab diplo-

mats said yesterday that an

Egypt-Israel summit would be aimed at opening up contacts. These have reached a low after the hostility engendered by the 1982 Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

A senior European envoy

said: "Both leaders are former military commanders.

Rabin of the army and

Mubarak of the air force, and

both are pragmatists rather

than ideologues. There is real

hope that they could break

the ice around the Camp

David treaty."

now the foreign minister.

The policy of expanding

early next month.

IN NEW YORK AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

WITH the United Nations set to send a special envoy to South Africa, the country's white minority government yesterday denied that it was responsible for the upsurge of black township violence.

Addressing an extraordi-nary debate of the UN Security Council on last month's massacre of at least 42 people in the Boipatong squatter camp, R. F. "Pik" Botha, the South African foreign minister, said: "To accuse the gov-ernment of fostering violence

He flatly rejected the charge made before the security council on Wednesday by Nelson Mandela, the leader of the African National Congress, that Pretoria was pursuing a "cold-blooded strategy of state terrorism".

'It huns me to be accused of fomenting violence between ethnic groups when we have at last removed ourselves from apartheid," Mr Botha said. He blamed most of the violence on an ethnic and political conflict between Mr Mandela's supporters and those of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party.

Listing the steps his govern-ment has taken to dismantle apartheid, he called on the ANC to end its boycott of the talks on a new democratic constitution which it an-nounced in the wake of the Boipatong massacre, "Nego-



High flier: R. F. "Pik" Botha, the South African foreign minister, playing with a paper airplane while Nelson Mandela, leader of the African National Congress, addresses the UN Security Council in New York

tive," he said. "It is the only alternative." Mr Botha made no reference to a plan by the security council to send a UN special representative — probably Cyrus Vance, the former American Secretary of State - to visit South Africa. But he

afterwards that he would wel-come the mission. The UN envoy will advise the security council on measures that could be taken to promote a reduction in violence in South Africa and a resumption of the talks on democracy.

Botha denies fomenting township violence

in South Africa, and hope they will be able to persuade the security council to send Unityed Nations observers to monitor human rights. But Mr Botha indicated

that he did not believe the

envoy's trip as the thin end of United Nations envoy's trip the wedge of UN involvement would lead to a permanent UN monitoring presence in South Africa. "It's not my impression that the United Nations would like to establish themselves in the townships and get their guys shot at," he said.

#### Jail terms greeted by gunfire

FROM ALFRED HERMIDA

GUNFIRE broke out in Algiers in the early hours of yesterday morning as police fired warning shots to dis-perse demonstrators protesting against the jailing of the leaders of the main Muslim fundamentalist party, the Islamic Salvation Front.

Automatic gunfire and spo-radic shooting were heard for more than an hour in several districts of the capital. The disturbances followed the trial verdict on Wednesday. when the military court sentenced the two principal party leaders. Abassi Madani and Ali Belhadj, to 12 years' imprisonment, while another five received terms ranging from four to six years.

The charges were brought after clashes between fundamentalists and police in June last year left almost 100 people dead. Although the defendants were found guilty of conspiring against the au-thority of the state, they were cleared of the more serious accusation of plotting an armed insurrection, which carries the death penalty.

The military-backed authorities clearly did not want to aggravate the climate of instability that has prevailed in Algeria since the cancella-tion of general elections this year which the Islamic front

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#### **Blood ritual holds** threat of Aids

Doctors in Nabatiyeh, Lebanon, fear that a ceremony involving bloodshed could spread HIV, Ali Jaber writes

SHAIKHS leading Friday prayers have, since the resurgence of Muslim fundamentalism a decade ago, ridiculed Aids as a curse inflicted upon "the more permissive satanic

More than one million Israelis have visited Egypt since 1979, but apart from diplomats and journalists, few Egyptians have made the reverse journey. Mutual suspi-cion and dislike remain high with Egypt's growing body of Islamic extremists opposed to the treaty that for many years made Egypt an outcast in the Arab world.

Egypt's semi-official press reported yesterday that James Baker, the American Secretary of State, would be carryresumes his shuttle diplomacy next week. In addition to a freeze on new Israeli settlements and a reciprocal end to the Arab boycott of Israel, the press report said it would also include other confidencebuilding steps designed to help direct peace negotiations, which are now expected to resume in Rome in

As part of intensive discussions in advance of Mr Baker's trip to Israel and its Arab neighbours, King Husain of Jordan flew yesterday to Damascus for consultations with President Assad of Syria in an effort to bridge differences and form a joint Arab stand.

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societies in the West by God". But now the danger of in-fection with HIV, which can

It to 200 others." lead to Aids, is so great that rescue workers wear clinical gloves and masks, and doctors hold Aids-awareness seminars. Fear of an epidemic haunts Nabatiyeh on the first ten days of each Muslim year. On the tenth day which, 1,312 years ago, fell on a Friday — Hussein Ibn Ali, the Muslim Shias' most popular imam, was killed in the Iraqi city of Karbala. Since then, Shias have ob-

hammad's grandson. In Nabatiyeh, thousands of children and adults, old and young, dress in white robes and indulge in a spectacular ceremony of blood during which they slash their heads and pound on the wounds until the white drapes turn red. As they do so, they roam the streets lamenting the death of Hussein and some 40 members of his family in the battle in 630 over who

day period of mourning for

the loss of the Prophet Mu-

ruled the Islamic empire. The head slashers share razor blades or swords to cut their heads and those of their companions. They pound on their wounds, splashing their blood over spectators as well as fellow mourners. "The danger of Aids lies here," said Ahmed Wehbe, a United Nations doctor specialising in infectious diseases. "Bloodletting in ashourah should stop now. If one of these mourners happens to be a carrier of HIV, he can spread

So far, six cases of Aids have been discovered in Nabatiyeh. All those affected frequently travel to Africa on business. Almost half the 30,000 population regularly work in Africa. They usually travel alone, leave the frustrations of their own culture behind, and lead an active sexual life there. A high proportion of prostitutes in the countries that they visit are HIV-positive.

Geneva: Projects undertaken by certain African countries, with the assistance of the World Health Organisation. to combat the spread of HIV have achieved significant changes in sexual behaviour (Alan McGregor writes). Data to be presented before

a conference on Aids in Amsterdam show measurable reductions in HIV infection and sexually transmitted diseases, especially in Zaire. After free condoms began to be issued to female prostitutes in Kinshasa, condom use increased from under 10 per cent to 60 per cent in two years. The annual incidence of new cases of HIV infection fell from 18 per cent to 3 per cent over the same period.

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#### Rivals 'murder boy camel jockey' sophistication in breeding

BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER

EVEN the pen of Dick Francis would have been hard pushed to match the real scandal that yesterday Middle East's fastest growing and richest sport, camel

According to semi-official newspapers in the United Arab Emirates, headquarters of the 20th-century re-vival of an old Bedouin pastime, four child camel jockeys beat to death a Bangladeshi rival, seven, because they considered him a threat to their livelihoods. Child jockeys, some-times as young as four and five from the Indian subcontinent, are favoured by the wealthy shaikhs who dominate th camel-owning fraternity because of their weight and size.

They are often attached to a pad on the camel's back by Velcro sewn into their trousers and given instructions in primitive Urdu over radio receivers attached to their chests from owners and trainers roaring along in their four-wheel-drive vehicles.

The recruitment of the youngsters, mainly from Pakistan and Bangladesh, has been the subject of repeated allegations that it is modern type of slave



Desert derby: racing camels, being ridden by children, heading for a photo finish in Dubai

trade. The accusations are rejected by the Arab owners, who claim that there is stiff competition for the relatively high wages that can be earned by a successful carnel jockey.

Emirates News reported

that the murder at a camel farm in Al-Dhaid in Sharjah emirate took place on Wednesday when the jock-eys, aged between seven and ten tied the victim's hands and beat him with a stick and whip. During the beating he died of cardiac

The killing, which has highlighted the immaturity of the jockeys who race with sticks often as big as themselves and present a curious sight bobbing up and down on the back of the

beasts, took place in the off season. The main camel races take place in the cool-er months from September to May. Police said that the four jockeys, all employees of the farm, were the yourgest suspects ever arrested for murder in the emirates. They could be sentenced to a maximum of ten years in a detention centre if found

In the past 18 years, camel racing has been revived and has become big business, with top animals changing hands for £250,000 or more. "The situation has become very competitive," said an Australian vet employed by one of the owners in the Gulf. "It has completely changed. Certainly now the

and training is very high."

The animals are now blood-tested and stresstested in an effort to improve performance. There is also intense rivalry over feeds, with one leading shaikh reported to have achieved success from feeding his string of racers a mix of honey. milk, butter. oats, barley and alfalfa. In 80 per cent of the cases, the competing animals are female because it is claimed by local experts that the female of the species has more endurance.

Many Arabs involved in the sport note with pride that extolled in the Koran. Cash prizes of tens of thousands of dollars are offered for the big races. Al-though Islam prevents leg-alised gambling on the tracks. it is known that trainers, owners and their 'connections" have consid-

erable wagers on the side. The recruitment of young Asian jockeys like those al legedly involved in the Sharjah killing has become an industry in itself. The jockeys sometimes weigh as little as 3st 2lb, and are usually employed for three or four years until they out-grow their jobs and hand over their camel-racing to a younger

#### No plugs for Spark

Philip Howard hails a

fine and elusive writer

The vital Spark of divinely bitchy flame is back in London on a short visit. Muriel Spark arrived yesterday to lecture to the Royal Society of Literature and discreetly to endure the distasteful and unnecessary business of publicising her autobiography, Curriculum Vitae. She is one of the most elusive big cats in the literary jungle. Mrs Spark left England for good nearly 25 years ago, partly to avoid the limelight, and now lives a very private and hardworking professional writer's life in Italy with her friend and companion. Penny larding She her friend and companion, Penny Jardine. She has been back occasionally since, to launch previous books. But on occasions, she and Miss Jardine have had second thoughts at Boulogne, and headed back to Tuscany.

Her attitude that what matters are the books, and that her life is her own business, is Hello! heresy to our modern obsession with the private lives of celebrities. But Mrs Spark has a point. It would not add a scruple to the merit of Shakespeare's plays and sonnets to have his life done over by the chat shows and Dumpster and the Rottweiler-profile scribblers. For a writer, the poems and the novels are the point of life. It is only publishers, and others who do not understand what literature is about, who are obsessed by the lives of authors.

n the circumstances, it is odd that such an elusive creature as Mrs Spark has even bothered to write her autobiography. But this is a pretty odd kind of autobiography, done in vignettes and Proustian flashes of times past, leaving great chunks out where the public has no business to go. It opens with marvellous little flashbacks to Morningside, the posh end of Edinburgh, 70 years ago, so that you can nearly smell the hot new morning baps at the baker's, and hear the beery roars of applause for Florrie Forde at the music hall. Mrs Spark has always been brilliant at the particularities of life.

But she is reticent to the point of taciturnity about her brief marriage at the age of 19 to Sydney Oswald Spark, for whom she had a diamond ring engraved SOS. And that seems to have been an appropriate acronym for both of them in Rhodesia. And there is very little about their son, Robin, who lives in Edinburgh. It is not relevant. You can imagine the publicity director pleading: "I simply don't believe this. You must put in more human interest and sex." And being

skewered by Mrs Spark's needle eye. And of course there is plenty of human interest and comedy, on episodes that Mrs Spark cares to make public, such as her wartime work of black propaganda to Germany and the slings and arrows of outrageous literary egos during her work as secretary of the Poetry Society. She has scores to settle and errors to correct in disinformation that has been published about her. Miss Brodie's star pupil has always cared passionately for the truth. She is particularly sharp to correct the account of her given by her unauthorised biographer and one-time companion. Derek Stanford. In his Inside The Forties, published in 1977. Mr Stanford alleged that Muriel Spark believed T.S. Eliot had a crush on her, and was raiding her larder and sending her coded messages through the blurbs of Faber Books. He is about to get his comeuppance in the authorised version.

er arch enemy. Dame Marie Stopes, the campaigner for birth control, is among others who get Sparked. Observing that Dame Marie lived for years with Alfred Douglas, the appailing lover of Oscar Wilde, Mrs Spark says, "an arrangement I imagine would satisfy any woman's craving for birth control. Dr Stopes arrived at Poetry Society meetings shaking her fist: "I used to think it a pity that her mother, rather than she, had not thought of birth

It is a short cracker of a book, full of love and malice, black wit, intelligence and sharp perceptions and judgments. Characteristically, it ends with the publication of her first novel in 1956. Friends, famous and obscure, will be the subject of another volume. It will make friends and enemies rush to look apprehensively in the index. We wait impatiently for it, and the next novels. The professional writer in exile and very rejuctant celebrity is a literary reproach to the vulgarities of her age. If you want to know any more, read her

#### David Pannick QC on the tasks facing Lord Donaldson's successor as Master of the Rolls

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the judicial office of Master of the Rolls has not always been filled by distinguished jurists who inspired respect and admiration. It was Questions of judgment said of Sir Julius Caesar, Master of the Rolls from 1614-1636.

the proud possessor of T-shirts from all over the world adorned that counsel were prone to play on him "a slye jeste". Sir Lloyd Kenyon, who held office from 1784-1788, was criticised for being "unacquainted with every with "a photograph of me in my

full-bottomed wig".

Lord Donaldson adopted lower profile. As he explained during a debate in the House of Lords last month on wigs and gowns, he considered one of the benefits of court amire to be that a juror who saw him "shopping in Woolworths in plain clothes had not the slightest idea" who

Donaldson was.

Nevertheless, in a more subtle way than his predecessor. Lord Donaldson used the media very skilfully. An annual report and regular interviews with journalists have been powerful weapons in a running battle with the Lord Chancellor's Department for more judges so as to reduce waiting lists. Despite Lord Donaldson's efforts, delays have

increased by 12.5 per cent in the Appeal echo what Lord Justice last 12 months.

Appeal echo what Lord Justice Bowen said in 1892 of the late

The primary achievement of Lord Donaldson over the past ten years is to have focused the artention of lawyers on the need for efficiency in litigation. The skeleton argument is replacing the lengthy, and often pointless, peroration. Lord Donaldson understood that it is increasingly important to ensure that courts are able to offer a service to all customers: those in court, those waiting for their case to come on, and those who fear that further delays will encourage their opponents to institute hopeless appeals for tactical

This has not always been to the liking of advocates who enjoy the sound of their own voice, and clients who want to hear value for their money. Critics of the modern Court of

Bowen said in 1892 of the late Master of the Rolls, Sir George Jessel, that he was "a great lawyer, but a rapid lawyer, and one who certainly sometimes brushed away cases in a speedy and perhaps somewhat imperi-

Lord Donaldson's successor will need to be an administrator who can increase the efficiency of a legal system that continues to resist radical reform of its procedures of unlimited oral advocacy by a movement to-wards greater reliance on out-ofcourt preparation by the judiciary and barristers. He (the first female Master of the Rolls is probably still at the Bar) will need to have considerable persuasive powers to win from the Lord Chancellor an increase in the number of judges. He needs

to be a jurist able to communi-

public principled answers to complex problems. The Court of Appeal has a

pivotal role in the English legal system. It hears about 1500 cases a year in all areas of civil jurisdiction. The highest court in the land, the Appellate Committee of the House of Lords, can manage to decide no more than 100 cases a year. The Master of the Rolls, who can select which cases he hears and which two of his brethren sit with him in any particular week, has greater judicial power to mould civil law than any other

serving judge.

Many of the cases heard each week are of no conceivable interest to anyone but the parties. But a substantial proportion of the decisions made by the Master of the Rolls and his colleagues are fundamental to

the nature of our society. Should an anorexic 16-year-old be force-fed? Are those threatened force-fed? Are those interactions with deportation on national security grounds during the Gulf War entitled to a fair hearing of the allegations against them? Should newspapers be allowed to publish information from Streeticher? Does mation from Spycatcher? Does the judiciary have power to find that a Minister of the Crown has

acted in contempt of court?
The judge who is appointed by the Queen on the advice of the Prime Minister to succeed Lord Donaldson as Master of the Rolls will have as much power and influence over our lives as any public servant outside the Cabinet. As Lord Chancellor Thurlow warned at the end of the 18th century, the legal system is in so sensitive a condition that a bad appointment as Master of the Rolls could "numble us both into the

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## Hard currency, hard options

Norman Lamont is boxed in on the pound, writes Peter Riddell

he mood in Whitehall late yesterday morning among senior ministers and their advisers was ittery. "Have you heard yet?" the uninformed were asking the uninformed. Civil servants awaited phone calls and listened for bleepers to go off. It was like the aimless speculation before a ministerial reshuffle, only this time the focus was on Frankfurt and the Bundesbank rather than on Downing Street. The news, when it came, was not good, even if the Treasury and the Bank of England seek for the moment to hold down British interest rates. But John Major is not worried. The government has already decided to do whatever is necessary to defend the current exchange rate against the German mark, even if it means higher interest rates and short-term political difficulties.

portion of human knowledge

except the corner of jurisprudence which he professionally cultivated". Sir John Leach, Master of the Rolls 1827-1834, was so habitually rude to the Bar

that a delegation of leading

counsel protested to him about

his behaviour.
Lord Donaldson, who has

innounced his retirement as

Master of the Rolls, the presid-

ing judge of the Court of Appeal, had to follow an act unique in legal history. Lord Denning.

who held the office from 1962 to

1982, boasted in one of his

books that his "appearances on

television have been so frequent

that taxi-drivers and passers by

No one can now be in any doubt where the government stands. Over the past two weeks Mr Major and Norman Lamont have been as unequivocal as they could. One minister said to me that July 1992 may in time be regarded as a defining moment in the history of the Major administration. By their current policies Mr Major and Mr Lamont will stand, or fall. There is little room for manoeuvre.

The government is committed to "getting inflation out of the system" and being "at the heart of the community". As Mr Major told the Sunday Times. "why should I trim on Europe? Do we need a Europe led by the French and Germans, with the British having no influence?" Mr Lamont was equally firm in his speech to the European Policy Forum on the exchange rate mechanism (ERM). He ruled out all alternatives cutting interest rates immediately, a German realignment within the ERM, a devaluation

by sterling within the ERM, leaving the ERM and cutting interest rates, and leaving the ERM and setting interest rates according to domestic monetary



targets. Each option would in time, he argued, lead to higher rather than lower interest rates as well as to a more rapid rate of inflation. So the ERM it is, for

Mr Major argues that this does not mean that Britain is bound entirely by what happens in Germany. In the 20 months since sterling joined the ERM, German interest rates have gone up by about 3 per cent, while sterling rates have fallen by 5 percentage points. But we are now near the limits. Only for 16 weeks in the 1980s did we have lower interest rates than Germany: or, as John Biffen put it this week, "waiting for Helmut". Mr Biffen's fellow Euro-irreconcilable, Nicholas Budgen, teased a Treasury minister in the Commons a few days ago, suggesting, "as a matter of convenience", that "the Bundesbank should communicate direct to the House, because it seems sad that he should have to second-guess what it says and go through the humiliation of being a mere messenger for that

foreign body." The government's calculation is that it has time on its side. An election is at least three and probably four years off. Long before polling day the world economy will be growing more strongly, once the difficulties of German unification have been resolved and the big build-up of personal and corporate debt of the 1980s has been reversed. Meanwhile, it would be counterproductive for Britain to risk any

resurgence of inflation. Mr Lamont may now be in a lonely position as chancellor, defying his many critics, as Stafford Cripps was in the late 1940s and James Callaghan was in the mid-1960s, but he has the backing of his prime minister. The unity of Mr Major



Facing up to a currency crisis: Stafford Cripps, James Callaghan and Norman Lamont

and Mr Lamont has ensured that there is no dissent in cabinet, whatever the private apprehensions of some ministers. Mr Lamont also has the benefit of the doubt for the time being from most Tory MPs, in

spite of the vocal protests of the devalue sterling if the economy. guerilla band of irreconcilables. The widely published warnings last weekend by John Townend. chairman of the Tory backbench finance committee, that there would be pressure to

was not showing signs of recovery by early next year, were exaggerated. Mr Townend is taken more seriously than his abilities or views justify. He is

chairman of the backbench

skilful electioneering by Sir George Gardiner of the 92 Group, rather than because he is representative of backbench opinion. One shrewd knight of the shires said he regarded the current mood as nervous, but no

The rumblings of discontent could be louder by the time of the Conservative party conference in early October or when the Commons returns in three months time, if there are not some green shoots by then. The economy could also complicate the handling of the Maastricht treaty. That is, at present, in limbo awaiting the French referendum on September 20. Pro-vided there is a yes vote (far from certain), the government hopes to revive the Maastricht legislation in the late gutumn, but the number of Tory rebels could be boosted by those worried about the economy. But, after many late nights and close votes, I still expect the treaty to be ratified.

the most difficult time for the government will be at the end of year and in the first half of This is when Tory MPs shirt boking rowards the next election and when the Labour Farty should be making a strong showing if it is ever going to. The attitude of ministers is "we have been through tough times before — in 1981, 1986 and 1990 — and we can't survive them again." Tory MPs. never the most resolute bunch, may, however, start particking then, as they did on these DIEVIOUS OCCUSIONS. -

The Labour party has already begun to distance itself from its previous unqualified embrace of the ERM. Since the election John Smith has edged towards calling for an ERM realignment involving a revaluation by Germany, as yesterday endorsed by Neil Kinnock. That could increasingly look a credible opposition stance if it is taken up more widely. Mr Major can no longer count on a cross-party consensus on the ERM. Differ ences over macro-economic policy could again return to the centre of the party debate.

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small part of me just died. You can get away with a line like that, in circumstances like these. Preferably it should be croaked, ideally through a week's stubble, and were I to be crouching in the dust and squinting up at a noonday gong of sun, that wouldn't hurt, either. On the second take, the director might even ask me to spit, since we are talking here about the days before tough guys cried, when the only water permitted to come out of a man's face at moments of profound emotion was saliva.

I have lost my Zippo. This is not a Marx brother or a Bulgar-ian van or a one-step furniture polish, it is a cigarette lighter. It s the cigarette lighter. It is the Platonic essence of cigarette lighters, of which all others are but flashy and inferior derivatives. Direct heir to the tinderbox, the Zippo is a plain steel oblong, two inches by one inch, containing a wheel, a flint and a wick-bound wad of petrolsoaked lint.

It does not have spring-loaded ignition, it does not have an electronic spark, it does not run on gas or titchy solar batteries. it does not have an adjustable flame or instant flint-load or valve-controlled fuel injection. or any of the other ritzy accoutrements of what modern marketing no doubt calls inpocket personal enflaming systems; what you do with a Zippo is you thumb the lid open and then bring the thumb back across the wheel, and a flame

explodes on the wick. It is a big flame, a man's flame, because you have to keep a Zippo topped up at all times, given its tendency to evaporate into surrounding clothing. This is not a shortcoming it is the means by which Zippophiliacs recognise one another as soon as they enter a room; the twitch of the nostril is what we have instead of a masonic handshake. If there is danger involved in this spillage, so much the beter, for we are hard men, unafraid to walk with risk, and while it has long been my conjecture that cases of socalled spontaneous combustion are in truth but Death serving notice on Zippo-carriers not to stand too close to open fires. frankly I have never given a

damn in 30 years. The Zippo cost me a thousand bucks in 1962, when a dollar was a dollar. Though I could have walked into a store and bought one for \$5, that is not what I did; I bought mine with a year's worth of \$& H Green Stamps, making the receipt of it a total Stateside experience. because it was not only a Zippo, as quintessentially American as the Coke bottle and the Cadillac fin, it was a metonymic signifier of all I had literally become: for a year I had stuffed my frame with frankfurters and chilli beans and buttermilk and toasted pe-cans and Napa Valley wine and Pilsbury cookies and Hershey bars and Grape Nuts. and everything else my local super-market insisted I buy before

they gave me the stamps, which

meant that the arrival at last, of the Zippo was nothing less than a triumph of symbiosis.

But it was also much more. It was a ticket to myth. Up until then I had been lighting my Chesterfields with a poncey little Ronson brought with me from England, but now I had a big butch Zippo, you could fire it double-action (cock it open, pause, flick, light) or fan it, single-action, with your thumb. this was the Zippo 45, the smokemaker, the lighter that won the West, this was the best thing a man could carry without a licence, it was what stretcher bearers reached for to light last cigarettes on Iwo Jima, or at least on Iwo Hollywood, it was what limelighted Lauren Bacall's face just before the Hays Office drew the blinds and Phillip Marlowe's just before the blackjack met his ear, it was what you slid along the bar to the weepy torch-singer when it was quarter-to-three and there was no-one in the place except

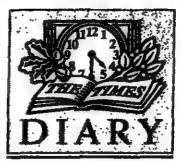
you and she.
Even in Cricklewood. For icons, like space-probes, go on emitting their signals forever, no matter how distant their source. Which is why, prime among my regrets about the Zippo's loss, is my regret for the manner of it: I should not have minded quite so much had I lost it in a poker game, or dropped it vaulting the Sing Sing wall, or left it on Lana Turner's bedside table, or even had it looted from my corpse by a German sniper. But I rather think it fell out of my pocket on the 13 bus.

#### Guildhall gossip

CONTRARY to most expectations, the next Master of the Rolls will be Lord Justice Bingham. While most reports have suggested that Lord Justice Woolf, 59, will take over from Lord Donaldson, it was Bingham's name which was on everyone's lips at the Lord Mayor's dinner at Guildhall on Wednesday night. The announcement about Bingham, also 59, has only been delayed, according to the gossip, until after the publication of his report into the BCCI

affair later this month. Old-fashioned in style. Bingham's views are modern, to say the least. In 1989 his colleagues were aghast when he became the first judge to speak out strongly in layour of the government's pro-posed reforms of the legal profession. To the fury of other judges Bingham, a doctor's son, boldly declared that the greatest threat to the bar was not the green paper: But the profession's reaction to it". Like Donaldson. Bingham is not moved by the other important legal question: should judges wear wigs. He would happily set his aside. In his spare time he goes to his cottage in the Welsh marches planting trees, mending fences and "keeping out sheep"

 Michael Heseltine yesterday got his own back on Norman Lamont for axing Neddy, the National Economic Development Council Heseltine has appointed Dr Walter Eltis, its director general, as chief economic adviser. Heselline argued in his book Where There's a Will that the responsibilities of the forum should be brought under the Department of Trade. He could never have surely have envisaged quite how at the time.



#### Flutter on the wing

AS RICHARD BRANSON next week gambles his reputation on plans for a London-Edinburgh express rail service, the multi-millionaire businessman has dreamt up a new enticement for his passengers, both in the air, and presumably, on rail. "We might experiment with the idea of casinos in the air. We are always trying



to find new forms of entertainment for passengers. When they are in the air people have time on their hands."

Branson this week launched a competition in conjunction with the V&A for art students to design playing cards to reflect Virgin At-lantic's "characteristics of travel".

Aides say Branson plans to use the winning entries for packs to be dealt out in flight. "Richard thinks it might be a good idea to have small casino areas on the top deck during transatlantic flights. There could be a couple of blackjack tables and perhaps a roulette wheel," an aide says, "You don't need a gaming licence at 30,000 m."

So, could high rollers also feature in Branson's rolling stock when he submits his private train plans to the Department of Trans-port next Tuesday? "I can't say," says Branson with a twinkle. "But we are hoping to do things very differently to British Rail."

#### Shipping line

LORD NELSON's famous signal at the Battle of Trafalgar will be taken to heart by the new chairman of the Commons defence select committee. Sir Nicholas Cosmo Bonsor, elected by MPs on Wednesday, is a direct descendant of Britain's best known admiral and, he says, there could be no better motto in his new role than "England expects that every man

will do his dury".

"I suspect few MPs know about my connection," says Bonsor, the Tory MP for Upminster. "But Lord Nelson was my four times great uncle. There is a direct descendancy from his elder brother." Bonsor is an acknowledged military historian. His home, Liscombe Park, near Leighton Buzboasts letters from both Nelson and from Lady Hamilton, the admiral's signet ring and a gallery of pictures depicting Nelson's most

famous barries. "I suppose it is an appropriate background for my new job," admits Bonsor, who, like his ancestor, is a keen sailor and a Linguaphone course cannot be member of the Royal Yacht far behind.

Squadron. "I like to think he would be happy to know that the strong military tradition is being preserved in the family."

#### Fitting and proper BARONESS THATCHER'S

attachment to the Gettysburg Address, which she recently recorded. is not new. Sir Ronald Millar recalls a meeting with her in 1975 shortly after she had become party leader. He had been suggested to her as speech-writer - a role he went on to fill with some distinction — but the interview was going badly. Just before it was terminated he quoted Abraham Lin-coln's peroration about government of the people, by the people, for the people", whereupon to his amazement Mrs Thatcher produced a copy of the entire address from her handbag. "One". of the greatest speeches ever written," she enthused. Her relationship with Millar never looked

The Times archives reveal that not everyone at the time showed the same enthusiasm. The inauguration of the cemetry at Gettysburg was an imposing ceremony, this paper reported, only rendered ludicrous "by some of the luckless sallies of that poor president Lincoln".

 With assorted Bosnians, Croats and Serbians in London talking to Lord Carrington, Linguaphone is offering courses in Serbo-Croat. For £159 Carrington can become proficient to A-level standard. We run a 14 day free trial," says the sales department. But not everyone in the Balkans is enamoured with the language. The Croats are working hard at creating a new dictionary of uniquely Croatian words. A new

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#### THE PEROT LEGACY

The political appeal of H. Ross Perot. mirrored the contradictions that lie deep in the psyche of many American voters. They liked him because they wanted a government that gets things done. Yet for the past six years they have elected a Democrat-controlled Congress and a Republican president, as if to ensure the opposite. They liked him because he offered simple answers to complex questions. Yet his "solutions", where they existed, were incredible and changed from week to week. They liked him because he was a living legend. Yet they profess to want more modesty in their politicians. Now, after slipping from first to third place in the polls and failing to keep the lid on frustration within his staff, Mr Perot has withdrawn from the American presidential contest. The contradictions he revealed are unchanged.

Ronald Reagan made a career out of straddling these contradictions. He promised Americans that he could both cut taxes and reduce the budget deficit through a "irickle-down" effect. The result is a budget deficit approaching \$400 billion that throttles the economy and precludes extra public spending. No presidential campaigner, except perhaps for the early Democrat contender, Paul Tsongas, has dared to address this contradiction head-on. To do so would involve saying the unsayable: that taxes must rise or that government cannot spend more on the services Americans want. Ross Perot. too perpetuated the myth that complex

difficulties could be easily resolved.
Yet the fact that an independent, amateur politician could leapfrog an incumbent president and his Democrat opponent in the . polls during much of election year has shaken the complacency of the political establishment. Like sporadic high levels of support for a third party in Britain, the message of disgust at conventional politics was clearly intended to be both sent and received by the electorate.

How can President Bush and Governor Clinton now capitalise on Mr Perots: departure? Yesterday pundits were uncertain

about which candidate would garner the votes that would otherwise have gone to Mr Perot. Mr Bush should be able to harvest the many Perot supporters who were at heart right-wing Republicans. Yet Mr Perot also won favour among the so-called Reagan Democrats: white, blue-collar workers who voted Democrat until 1980 and then switched allegiance, rather like the skilled working-class voters in Britain who supported Margaret Thatcher in 1979. They voted for Mr Reagan because they thought he would make them better off. They are now suffering from the recession and are ripe for Mr Clinton's picking.

The Democrats have the additional advantage that they are fielding two of the most conservative candidates the party has seen since the second world war. Determined to shake off the liberal, tax-and-spend label, Messrs Clinton and Gore could appeal to those Perot supporters who are conservative on the economy but libertarian in their instincts. Also a vote for the Democrats is a vote for change, albeit less radical a change than a Perot presidency would have brought.

Mr Clinton may still not be able to grasp the opportunity this represents. If he presents himself as a radical in order to woo those bored with conventional politics, he risks scaring off the moderates whose votes he so desperately needs. If he actively seeks ethnic minorities, he will deter the conservative whites of the Perot camp. Mr Bush, unlike Mr Reagan, cannot distance himself from the Washington cabals that the American public so affects to despise. His only hope is to portray the Clinton/Gore ticket as

dangerously liberal. In other words Mr Perot may have done less to shake up the presidential race than many will have hoped. Mr Clinton will probably continue to appear reassuring, with few new ideas to frighten the nervous. Mr Bush will doubtless run the same, negative campaign that worked to good effect against Governor Dukakis in 1988. Plus on change, plus ce sont American party politics.

#### **PLAYING AT PEACE**

The dance of Western leaders round the smouldering ruins of Sarajevo descended to absurdity yesterday as partisans of uncertain status visited Christic's auction house in London to see Christie's chairman, Lord Carrington. Meanwhile Douglas Hurd has. flown to Sarajevo to be seen to be "doing something" during the British presidency of the European Community. George, Bush, worried about his re-election chances, has sent warships into the Adriatic. Nobody has the slightest idea of how the implacable hostility of the various Yugoslav peoples can be resolved. But everybody wants to be seen

The role of external intervention in that sad country needs to be restated again and again. No foreign statesman is likely to settle the future of the Balkans. The world must not be sucked into some wider regional war, nor must the existing conflict be further extended by explicit sponsorship of one side or another. Outside mediation in the affairs of distant nations may occasionally help, though cases of it doing so are hard to find. Even United Nations peacekeeping is usually confined to keeping communities apart in the hope that they can one day settle differences on their own.

Whether they be elected leaders or merely local warlords, the idea that summoning communal leaders to London can promote peace is not just a case of hope triumphing over experience. It echoes a post-imperial pretention that British diplomacy can bang together the heads of fractious natives to make them behave. Such efforts may have carried meaning when backed by the coercion of Britain's imperial army, but not today, not by any leap of the imagination. The nearest intervention might come to

real leverage is by condemning territorial aggrandisement against states newly recognised as independent. Since the chief, though not the only, villain of the Yugoslav piece is Serbia, it is Serbia that stands most strongly condemned. But toppling or changing the mind of President Milosevic, as that of Saddam Hussein or Colonel Gaddafi, is examilely to be achieved by military or economic pressure — short of fullscale invasion and occupation from outside, which is not going to occur.

Random airstrikes against individual guns may seem tactically simple and morally uplifting in the armchairs of London and Washington. But the only serious constraint on Serbian behaviour is collective action to deny arms imports, and relentless publicity for atrocities committed by those paid and supplied by President Milosevic. There are Serbs with consciences who somehow must be emboldened to use the political weapons to hand in Belgrade to bring their current ruler to heel.

As for direct foreign intervention, this should be confined to relieving the suffering caused by war and to enforcing the sanctions intended to deny Serbia weapons of aggression. The reaction of the world to images of death and destruction is naturally to want to call a halt. It is not easy to treat the symptoms of civil war and yet not to tackle its causes. Nor is it easy to know where the protection of relief supplies tips over into a wider involvement in a civil conflict. One man's humanitarian relief is another's aid to the enemy. But no outside agency can force hostile communities to live at peace with one another if they decide otherwise. Watching events in the former Yugoslavia is painful. Directing them is beyond our power.

#### **DEGREES OF HONOUR**

Gary Lineker, the star striker for Spurs and England, was better known until recently for his spectacular right foot and his sporting rather than his academic prowess - four Olevels in all. Yesterday, all that changed when Leicester University awarded him an honorary degree. Lenny Henry, the comic, similarly found himself an honorary Master of Arts at Warwick University. Will audiences aware of his newly acquired erudition find his humorous sketches more amusing?

The flood gates of honorary degrees are well and truly opened. American colleges used to be scorned in Britain for their readiness to give a degree to anyone famous enough or rich enough to buy one. Yet this weekend Neil Kinnock will pick up an honorary degree from the University of Wales while Terry Waite picked up a similar award from Sussex earlier this week, both no doubt richly deserved for their suffering in recent years, but neither a true reflection of their contribution to scholarship.

In September 33 polytechnics will be turned into degree-awarding institutions, which means honorary degree awarding institutions. Each one of them, desperate for money and fame, will be press-ganging celebrities and the rich to become an honorary graduate. Already Central Lancashire University (the Poly as was) has lined up Wigan's most famous actor, Sir Ian McKeilen, and the newsreader Fiona Armstrong. In future no sports star, television personality or moneybags need go for long without letters after their names.

Some bastions of higher learning will continue to stand out against this trend. It is said that Chicago University, when pressed to give the Queen an honorary degree, followed its strict rule and earnestly enquired about her relevant publications. Oxford refused to honour Margaret Thatcher, a not be devalued by giving them away. 

decision many dons in search of extra funding later regretted.

In England's two most ancient universities, an MA is sold to their own graduates for just £10 - surely well below the market clearing price. For outsiders, though, market forces rule. Should either of these universities refuse an honorary degree, their constituent colleges will show few scruples about offering their favoured sons and benefactors an honorary fellowship.

There should be no blowing of raspberries. therefore, over Leicester's choice of Mr Lineker from the high tables of Wadham. Oxford, or St Edmund's, Cambridge, who chose to make Shoichi Okinga, the biggest shareholder in the Mitsubishi bank, an honorary fellow last year. Mr Okinga, whose wit and learning may have swung the fellows of both colleges behind him, became the first man ever to be made a fellow of a college at both universities on the same day. He happily repaid this generosity of spirit with a spontaneous £4.5 million to Wadham and £1.5 million to St Edmund's.

Like most other honours in Britain it is time to end the cant about how and why they are awarded. There are colleges named after the Wolfson family in both Oxford and Cambridge, not as a result of scholarship or holiness, but because of generosity. Higher education will be in dire need of more such philanthropy in the 1990s.

So just as we honour great scholars, let us also honour the men who use their wealth to create new halls, colleges or branches of learning. And from the footballers, entertainers, newsreaders and other assorted showbiz types with or without O-levels, who wish to don gown and mortar board and pick up a finely inscribed vellum roll, let them simply be charged the going rate. Degrees should

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

sharply upgrading their expenses are misplaced. Clearly this does not give

them extra income and the estimates

of what they need for the work that

gets done are accurate. The real

question is whether the work itself is

Most MPs accept and indeed

welcome the role of general welfare

officer to their constituents at the

expense of their proper tasks of

improving legislation and control-

ling the executive. Are public services

in South Islington and Finsbury so

bad that Mr Chris Smith, as you

report (later editions, July 15), is

really obliged to deal with 6,000

cases a year? Would it not be better to

put a professional ombudsman in

each constituency and leave MPs to deal only with matters of collective

If MPs prefer the present system

will it not seem as though sitting MPs are receiving public money to help them against future chal-

There is a warning here from the

United States. Congressmen have

amassed huge staffs to deal with

their districts; and Representatives,

nominally up for election every two

years, almost achieved life tenure.

But now there has been a reaction

from the electorate against the vast expense of Congress and it looks as though November's election will see

many new faces on Capitol Hill.

Could the same happen here?

can be informed, nor is there ever

body established to afford a liaison

between select committee chairmen, I can confirm that when these

committees were first constituted

there was general agreement in the

House that the process of selection,

assisted by the whips of all parties,

I knew of no formal rule that

membership of a committee should

be limited to three parliaments.

What was generally agreed was that backbench MPs should take turns in

serving on the committees. No one,

not even the most distinguished or

most able participant, was to enjoy a

freehold term of office; only a short

leasehold. This, it was agreed, was in

9 Tufton Court, Tufton Street, SW1.

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then proposes cutting 32 of these

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#### Monetary views of 'Liverpool Six'

From Professor David Currie and Mr Geoffrey Dicks

Sir. In his speech to the European Policy Forum last week (report, July 11) the Chancellor eloquently amicipared the policy prescription of Professor Congdon and others— "the Liverpool Six"—as spelled out in their letter of July 14.

Mr Lamont described the call for

the UK to leave the exchange-rate mechanism and return to an independent monetary policy as the "cut and run" option — a cut in interest rates today followed by a run on the pound tomorrow. Sterling depreciation would then set up inflationary forces which would have to be offset by higher interest rates

Yet in the repeating of their call for "a properly-constructed regime of money-supply targets" in place of ERM membership, Professor Congdon and his colleagues ignore this analysis. Surely it is time for them to spell out in more detail their policy proposals and how they would work rather than just criticise the present approach.

proach.

Do they for example accept that the pound would fall sharply under their proposals? Would this not, as the Chancellor argues, raise inflation? Do the Liverpool Six want more inflation in the their transfer. inflation in the short term as a way of reducing the debt burden and put-ting more life into the housing market? If so they should say so. It is also time for the Liverpool Six

to come clean on their money supply targets. Do they think that a 2.5 per cent growth in MO (the narrow measure of growth, focusing on notes and coins and balances at the Bank of England) is too low? How high should it be? Or are they more concerned that M4 growth (the broader measure of liquidity) is only 5.2 per cent? If so, how fast a growth in M4 are they looking for? More specifically, do properly constituted targets focus on MO or M4?

We do not deny that the UK's experience in the ERM has been difficult and that output prospects remain weak. But we do agree with the Chancellor that it is wrong to suggest that there are easy alter-natives which will deliver low and stable inflation over the medium term. Just when we are in sight of sustaining the lowest inflation rate for a generation, the Liverpool Six proposals offer the prospect of some short-term relief at the expense of the longer-term objectives.

Yours faithfully, DAVID CURRIE, GEOFFREY DICKS, Centre for Economic Forecasting. London Business School, Sussex Place, Regent's Park, NW1.

#### Pedestrianised London From Councillor Alex Segal

Sir, Sir Nicholas Goodison (letter, July 10) asks why local government has failed to introduce large-scale pedestrianisation to the centre of London.

Westminster City Council is constantly looking at ways of achieving just this. We have introduced a number of schemes of our own, most notably in Leicester Square and the surrounding streets, reopened last month by the Queen (report, June 9). We must, however, balance the needs of the pedestrian against the need to keep traffic moving. As long as cars continue to pour into London at the present rate one man's

pedestrian scheme will be another

man's traffic jam. The only long-term solution to this problem is road-pricing or some other means of reducing the number of cars in London, but that will require government action which would have our full support. Meanwhile, central London is fortunate in having so many large parks and open spaces which offer great opportunities for walking.

Yours faithfully. ALEX SEGAL Chairman, Planning and Development Committee) Westminster City Council, Westminster City Hall, Victoria Street, SW1.

From Mr Rupert White

Sir, Sir Nicholas Goodison is absolutely right. I suggest as a candidate for at least partial pedestrianisation the rectangle formed by Piccadilly, Lower Regent Street, Pall Mall and St James's Street. At the heart of London, this would be the perfect place to start. Stroll on St James's.

Yours faithfully. RUPERT WHITE. 21 Cleveland Place, St James's, SW 1. July 10.

#### Green towels

From Mr M. Gee Sir, On a recent trip to Stuttgart, Germany. I found a notice in my hotel bathroom in three languages (letters, July 7, 10, 14): Please decide for yourself. Towels on the floor means: "Please change them." Towels on the towel rail means: "I will use

In my household the former means the kids are home.

Yours sincerely. M. GEE. 263 Earisfield Road, SW18.

July 14.

#### MPs' expenses and the work they do

From Mrs Edwina Currie, MP for Derbyshire South (Conservative) From Professor Lord Beloff, FRA Sir, The criticisms of MPs for

Sir. Press comment on MPs' office allowances has been generally and predictably hostile (leading article, July 16). Leaving on one side the fact that political editors do not fork out for their own assistants, secretarial staff, office accommodation, typewriters and travel, nor account for all of them to the Inland Revenue, an analysis of the 41 Conservatives who voted for the increase is revealing.

Half have marginal sears, as I have, with majorities below 10,000. Two others were marginal seats in the last Parliament. Four were seats won back for the Tories after severe losses at by-elections -- Langbaurgh, Ribble Valley, Monmouth and Mid-Staffordshire. One (Milton Keynes North East) was an entirely new seat this time. Eight were new candidates with the difficult task of replacing established and well known mem-

The increased political arousal of such constituencies leads to far more approaches to MPs and far higher expectations than in areas undisturbed for years with fat major-

In addition some have electorates way over the average: in South Derbyshire we are nudging 84,000 and climbing steadily, yet there is no extra allowance. I fail to see how I can go to these good people and ask for their vote, if I do not have the staff and equipment to answer their enquiries promptly and efficiently.

Yours unrepentantly, EDWINA CURRIE, House of Commons.

#### Select committees

From Sir Edward du Cann

Sir, Your leading article today, "Selecting committees", is right in an important respect. It is excellent that there is competition among backbench MPs to serve on the departmental select committees.

The committees were a significant constitutional innovation in the 1979 parliament. When they do their work well they are a formidable tool for our elected representatives to subject the workings of the executive to a continuous scrutiny and a more effective examination than debate in the chamber allows. Debates today are better informed in consequence of their work.

I am sure you are wrong, however, to suggest that the whips should be excluded altogether from the process of selection. There is no other mechanism in the House through which the Committee of Selection

#### **Cutting army strength** From General Sir Martin Farndale

Sir. In his article of July 2 on the obstacles to British military intervention in Yugoslavia Michael Evans rightly referred to the small size of the army in relation to its current tasks. General Crookenden, in a letter published on the same day, stressed the vital need to create an army better matched to the dangerous world of today. These points cannot be made too strongly.

The army is already too small to meet all the tasks it faces, to guard the families and barracks it leaves behind as it carries them out, and to train for war. Even at full strength. most of the units which perform most of these tasks - the armour. artillery and infantry - need reinforcement from other units before they can meet them. Thus the men of many more units are involved than there are tasks being performed. This is about to get worse as the cuts begin to bite.

The "Options" plan was designed against a reduced threat in Eastern Europe and therefore proposes cutting, inter alia, 20 armoured, artillery and infantry units in Germany. This might be understandable; but,

#### Dentists' distress

Sir, The dispute over dentists' pay (report and leading article, July 7) raises the question what dentists' net incomes actually are.

In a written answer in the House of Lords (Hansard, July 2, W.A.55) the government explained that dentists' receipts, based on volume of work. are calculated net of expenses. The government admirs that its figures are "estimates". These are arrived at on the basis of dentists' receipts for 1991-2 and of their expenses for 1989-90. Calculations of how ex-

#### US policy on Israel From the Director of the Council for the Advancement of Arab-British

Sir, I would like to commend your view of the status quo in the Middle East, as expressed in your editorial of July 15, "Prophet of peace". Cau-tious optimism is probably the wisest approach; but a warning note must be sounded to the United States on

Given Rabin's public commitment to settlements in the occupied territories which are there for security rather than political-religious reasons, President Bush and Secretary Baker would do well to bear in mind that under international law these

what you describe as its "leverage".

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number (071) 782 5046.

The new defence white paper

be complete for training for anything eise; and with modern high-technology equipment this is very serious. (report, July 8) appears to recognise these problems where it defines the new defence priorities, but it must next make a realistic allocation of resources to them. The "Options" plan can well remain an objective for the future, but it is now essential to slow down the speed of the reductions until commitments can be

reduced. Otherwise, should any existing task increase or a new one occur, we shall be in serious trouble. Yours sincerely

MARTIN FARNDALE. The East India Club. 16 St James's Square, SW1.

#### penses have changed since then are simply "forecasts".

From Earl Russell Since the dentists have been arguing ever since the new contract that

government calculations of their expenses were wrong, they may regard government figures for dentists' incomes as a conjecture deduced from an error. Before ministers let National Health Service dentistry disappear they should consider it possible they may be mistaken.

Yours sincerely, RUSSELL House of Lords. July 14.

#### settlements are no less illegal than the rest Any tacit approval of Israeli policy

expressed by the US granting the \$10 billion loan guarantees will not only free Israeli finances for sustain-Understanding ing "security" settlements, but will be in direct contravention of America's responsibility as a co-signatory (as is Israel) of the fourth Geneva Conven-

> citizens of the occupying power in the territory it occupies. Moreover, the United States has the mandatory duty under section 1 of the convention to enforce Israel's rotal compliance

tion - article 49 (section 3) of which

expressly forbids the settling of

Yours faithfully, BERNARD MILLS. Director.

Council for the Advancement of Arab-British Understanding. The Arab-British Centre. 21 Collingham Road, SW5.

#### Readers' fee at **British Library?** From Mr Brian Lake

Sir, The British Library Board will be deciding on July 17 whether to impose, for the first time in the history of the library, a charge for

Access to the BL's books and manuscripts has always been free of charge to those who can demonstrate reasonable need to consult the nation's archive, held in trust for the people by the library's management. Now, for the sake of a net income of probably less than £200,000 per annum, the library is prepared to alienate librarians and readers.

At a time of crisis, when senior management should be consulting readers to gain their support, no discussions have taken place. It is to be hoped that the board will draw back from the brink so that a proper debate can take place. Yours faithfully,

BRIAN LAKE. Regular Readers' Group. British Library, 46 Great Russell Street, WC1. July 15.

#### The law and anorexia

From the President of the Royal

College of Psychiatrists Sir. Anorexia nervosa is a terrible illness and if sufferers are not adequately treated some will eventually die. The Court of Appeal has ruled, in the case of "J", a 16-year-old anorexic girl, that teenagers between the ages of 16 and 18 can be legally required to accept medical treatment without their consent (report and

leading article, July 11). On rare occasions compulsory treatment may necessitate the use of the Mental Health Act, 1983, with compulsory admission to hospital for treatment, "so detained in the in-terests of his (s/c) own health or safety

... The Mental Health Act Commission quite appropriately regards anorexia nervosa as a "mental illness" within the meaning of the Act. and accepts that compulsory admission and treatment under the Mental Health Act will sometimes be

ecessary. The Mental Health Act is framed for the benefit of mentally ill people irrespective of age. It acknowledges the basic human right of a civilised society that one should be cared for when one cannot care for oneself. This would have been the most appropriate way to have ensured that such a severely ill patient as "I" received necessary care and treatment.

Yours sincerely ANDREW SIMS. President, Royal College of Psychiatrists. 17 Belgrave Square, SW1. July 13.

#### From Dr James B. McWhinnie

Sir, The reasons for the judgment by the Court of Appeal in the case of "J may now cause for the medical officers concerned a dilemma needing further clarification.

I was a consultant for 22 years in a hospital psychiatric unit for adolescents with special provisions for girls with anorexia nervosa. In numerous cases where severely ill 16 to 18-yearold anorexic patients refused consent for treatment it was recommended and accepted that compulsory treatment be given under an order of the Mental Health Act.

This I believe has two merits. The Act requires that it be fully explained to the patient what are her rights for review of such an order or for appeal to a mental health review tribunal. I have not experienced an appeal being upheld by a tribunal where a treatment order was made to prevent serious risk to life or health. The patients also appreciate being treated as adults.

Medical code of practice requires that a patient should consider consent that is informed. The use of common law "inherent jurisdiction", as in the case of "J", may now require medical officers of 16 to 18-year-old patients whose serious illness impairs their rationality to inform them that it is their right to give consent but not to refuse it.

Yours faithfully, JAMES B. McWHINNIE, 2 Norham End, Norham Road, Oxford.

#### Upstairs, downstairs From Baroness Jeger

Sir, David Lipsey ("Goodbye big spender", July 9) asks why Joe Soap's taxes should be used to provide child benefit, with which Lady Muck pays

her cleaner. The answer is that the Child Benefit Act, 1975, with all-party support, transferred the Inland Revenue child tax allowance from Lord Muck (who didn't need it and spent it on bimbos) to the mother of his children.

Mrs Joe Soap prefers the new arrangements. Meanwhile Lord Muck can still spend his indexlinked married couple's allowance (which he doesn't need either) on anything he likes whether such expenditure is supportive of his marriage or not.

Yours sincerely, LENA M. JEGER, House of Lords. July 12.

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#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

Countess of Snowdon, President, The Royal Ballet, was present this

evening at a performance by the Royal Ballet School at Holland Park Open Air Theatre.

July 16: Princess Alice, Duchess

of Gloucester this afternoon took the Salute at a Performance of the

Royal Tournament at Earls Court, London SW5.

Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott and Major Nicholas Barne were in

attendance.
The Duchess of Gloucester this evening attended the Final Concert and presented the Awards at the City of London Carl Flesch International Violin Competition, Barbican Centre, London ECZ.

Mrs Michael Wigley was in

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

July 16: Princess Alexandra today visited Cumbria and was received

by Mr James Cropper (Vice-Lord Lieutenant of Cumbria).

Her Royal Highness visited the Queen Elizabeth School at Kirkby

Princess Alexandra subsequently visited James Cropper plc at Burneside Mills, Kendal.

The Lady Mary Mumford was

Her Royal Highness, President

of Sight Savers (Royal Common-wealth Society for the Blind), was represented by Rear Admiral Sir John Garnier at the Funeral of Sir

Edwin Arrowsmith which was

held at 'All Saints Church, Fulham, this afternoon.

onsdale, Carnforth.

Mrs Jane Stevens

KENSINGTON PALACE

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** July 16: The President of the European Parliament (Dr Egon Klepsch) was received by The

Queen. Mr Julian Hardand-Swann (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipoentiary at Rangoon), was re-ceived by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Commander of the

Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George. Mrs Hartland-Swann was also received by Her Majesty. Sir James Adams, Sir Alan Donald, Sir Michael Simpson-Odebar, Sir Ciccin Tickell and Orlebar, Sir Crispin Tickell and Sir John Whitehead were received by The Oueen on their retirement Lady Adams, Lady Donald, Lady Simpson-Orlebar, Lady Tickell and Lady Whitehead were

also received by The Queen. KENSINGTON PALACE July 16: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, the Parachute

Regiment, received Lieutenant Colonel Philip Neame on Philip Neame relinquishing command of the Tenth (Volunteer) Battalion, and Lieutenant Colonel Robert Kershaw on assuming the appointment,
The Princess of Wales this morning opened the St Mungo

Community Trust's Patrick House at 17 Rivercourt Road, Hammersmith, London W6. Captain Edward Musto, RM was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE July 16: The Princess Margaret.

Sir Hardy Amies, fashion de-

signer, 83; Mr Tim Brooke-Taylor, actor, 52; Sir Alan

62; Baroness Gardner of Parkes, 65; Mr W. Gordon Graham,

publisher, 72; Mr Eric Ham-

communications, 62; Sir William

Private Secretary to the Queen. 62; Lord Lane, former Lord Chief Justice, 74; the Right Rev D.R.

Lunn, Bishop of Sheffield, 62; Dr

Marjorie Reeves, historian, 87: Señor Juan Samaranch, presi-

dent, international Olympic

Committee, 72; Mr Wayne Sleep, ballet dancer, 44; Sir Kenneth

Stowe, civil servant, 65; Mr Donald Sutherland, actor, 57; Mr Bob Taylor, cricketer, 51;

Miss Gwynneth Thurburn, for-mer principal, Central School of

ch and Drama, 93; Judge :

David West-Russell, 71; Mr P.D.V. Wilkes, headmaster,

Cheltenham College, 51; Mr Terrel Wyatt, former chairman,

Therapists
Lord Ennals, President of the

College of Occupational Thera-pists, was host last night at a

dinner held at Loughborough

Costain Group, 65.

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Birthdays today

#### Today's royal engagements

The Queen will open the British Council Headquarters, Mediock Street, Manchester, at 10.10; and Cottrell, former vice-chancellor, Cambridge University. 73; Mr Raymond Galton, scriptwriter, Metrolink, St Peter Square, at 11.15. Later, she will open Hop-wood Hali College, Rochdale, at 3.00; and will attend a Garden Party at Alexandra Park, Glodwick, Oldham, at 3.30. Queen Elizabeth The Queen mond, trades unionist, 63; Mr J.M. Harper, former deputy managing director, Briish Tele-Mother will visit the Royal School for Deaf Children in Margate at 3.00 to mark its 200th Henderson, former president, Zoological Society of London, 79; Sir William Heseltine, former anniversary. The Prince of Wales, as President

of Business in the Community, will attend an Employees in the Community action training day conference at the Allied Dunbar training centre in Wanborough. Wiltshire, at 10.40.

The Princess of Wales, as Patron of the London Symphony Chorus, will attend the first night of the Proms at the Albert Hali at 7.25. The Duke of Kent, chancellor, will confer degrees at Surrey University at 10.10.

#### Chartered Surveyors' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Chantered Surveyors' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Timothy J.L. Roberton: Senior Warden, Mr Anthony Gordon-James: Junior Warden, Sir Brian Hill.

#### Christening

University of Technology. Air Commodore Geoffrey Claridge The daughter of Mr and Mrs also spoke. Among those present were Lady Ennals, Baroness Masham of Ilton, Sir Mark Anthony Cory-Wright was chris-tened Emma Mercedes by Father William Hewett, SJ, on Saturday, July 11, 1992, at the Church of Carlisle, Professor Heinz Wolff the Immaculate Conception. Farm Street, W1. The godparents are Mr James Orr and Miss Polly and the President of the World Federation of Occupational Herdman. A reception was held afterwards with the infant's Foundation for Science and Technology Baroness Platt of Writtle presided grandmothers, Lady Jane Cory-Wright and Mrs Alfonso Torrents at a dinner of the Foundation for dels Prats, receiving the guests.

#### Institute of

Science and Technology held last night at Bushy House, Teddington, after a visit to the National Physical Laboratory. Biology Among others present were Viscountess Long, Lord Beloff, The following have been elected to Fellowship and are permitted to use the designatory letters CBiol Baroness Hooper, Lady Kennet, Baroness Perry of Southwark, Lord Perry of Walton, Sir Austin Bide, Sir John Mason, Sir Trevor

Mr M L Beck, Dr D R Chambers; Professor D J Curtis: Professor G R Dixon; Dr J R Pincott; Dr M G Poston; Mr R B E Shutes; Professor P Trayburn.



Fleur Wylie, five-year-old daughter of the chairman of the St Mungo Community Trust, turns tail after chatting to the Princess of Wales who opened a hostel for Aids sufferers run by the trust in west London yesterday

#### Archaeology

#### China's classy jade

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

chisel-shaped and one is a

tubular disc. The appearance of classical Chinese ritual jade

forms this early, and this far

from the supposed core areas

Obvious differences in the

appearance and microstruc-

ture suggest that raw jade was

obtained from more than one

source, the investigators say,

and "the fact that these pieces

were all made from nephrite

indicates that the ancient

Chahai people might have been able to identify nephrite

from other similar minerals".

With such knowledge already

current before 5000 BC, the

initial use of jade may have

been even earlier in the

Further south, at the

Hemudu site near Shanghai,

most of the small "jades" have proved to be of other miner-

als, with true jade not coming into use until the fourth mil-

lennium BC. The Liangzhu

sites in the same region (The

Times, May 30, 1992) show a

conscious discrimination be-

tween the use of jade in elite

tombs, while small sites such

as Heyedi have as much

pseudojade as the real thing.

treated nephrites of various

grades and pseudojade in dif-ferent ways in order to show

the difference in social pos-

"These people deliberately

Neolithic.

tion, is highly significant.

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NEW evidence on the origins of Chinese jade carving suggests that it began more than 7,000 years ago in Manchuria, far from the heartland of later civilizations in the Yangtze and Yellow River basins. Early craftsmen were able to lage com simua minerals, however, and different grades of stone were apparently reserved for those at the upper levels of society.

The earliest use of true jade, in China technically a tremolite-actinolite nephrite, has been traced to the site of Chahai, near Fuxin in Liaoning. This province, northeast of Peking, was the home of the Manchu in historic times, and lay outside the Great Wall which bounded

the Middle Kingdom. The Chahai site dates to the sixth millennium BC, the beginning of settled village life and farming in northern China. The eight jades found during excavations there are "the earliest examples of jade artifacts in the entire world", according to Guang Wen and Zhichun Jing.

Reporting on the analysis of more than 260 jades dating to 2000 BC or earlier. they note that all eight of those from Chahai were of true nephritic jade, while many samples from later sites proved to be lower-grade "hemijades", or even "pseudojades", minerals which only looked similar.

Four of the Chahai jades are ition of tomb occupants", the of jue slit disc form, two are study concludes. daggerlike in shape, one is

One important result of the analyses, which show jade being used first in eastern. China and then spreading westwards, is that the famous Hotan source in Xinjiang, on the southern edge of the Tarim Basin, is unlikely to have been the original, or even the dominant source of jade.

The iron and magnesium content of the jades suggests that they were formed within magnesian marble beds, so that the Siberian serpentinite outcrops around Lake Baikal are also unlikely as an origin. One jade source has recently been identified west of Shanghai, in an area notable for its carved jades in the late Neolithic period, and is a promising lead.

For the moment, however, Chinese archaeologists are only beginning to appreciate the paradox that the middle Yellow River valley, traditionally the core region in which Shang and later complex societies emerged, was almost the last region of eastern China to acquire true jade; the peripheral and allegedly lag-gard peoples of Liaoning and the Yangtze had, on the other hand, been appreciating and utilizing it for several thousand years.

Source: Geoarchaeology 3:

DEATHS

#### Pilot's VC may fetch record

By JOHN SHAW THE Victoria Cross and other medals won by Major Edward "Mick" Mannock, the top-scoring British fighter ace of the first world war, are to be sold by his elderly niece for financial reasons.

Major Mannock, with a record 73 kills to his credit, was also the most decorated pilot of the war with the Military Cross and Bar and DSO and two bars. The unique group has been in the Royal Air Force Museum, Hendon, for almost 20 years. But his niece has decided to

sell them at Sotheby's in Billinghurst, West Sussex on September 19. They are expected to make in the region of £150,000, which would be a new record. The previous highest price was £126,600 at Sotheby's in September 1990.

Major Mannock's niece does not wish to be identified but David Erskine Hill, a war medal specialist with the firm, said: "She is selling them for financial reasons but I can assure you it is being done with the greatest reluctance.

"I consider this to be the most important VC group ever to appear at auction. The combination of gallantry awards and amazing number of air combat victories make Major Mannock one of the very greatest British pilots." The VC was awarded post-

humously and the London Gazette citation of July 18, 1919 described him as "a highly distinguished officer who during the whole of his career in the Royal Air Force was an outstanding example of fearless courage, remarkable skill, devotion to duty and self sacrifice which has never been surpassed."

Major Mannock was a good shot and after being commissioned in the Royal



Major Edward 'Mick' Mannock: Cult status

Flying Corps joined 40 Squadron in April 1917. A ruthless fighter, his first victory came the following month and thereafter his "kill" tally rose swiftly. He finally commanded 85 Squadron.
"The casualty rate among

pilots was high and he would give kills away to young men who had just joined the squadron in order to give them confidence," said Mr

Erskine-Hill. "He would take them up in the morning, show them the tactics, shoot one down and probably say with a wink when they landed: 'That's yours but don't tell anybody.' It was all morale boosting and it worked. The pilots loved him for it and it gave him cult status in the squadron."

But it was on one of these operations that he was killed.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

Mr D.M. Allan
and Miss S.N. Kinsey-Jones
The engagement is announced
between Derek, younger son of
Mr and Mrs J.M. Allan, of
Shanghai, formerly of Hong
Kong, and Samiya, elder
daughter of Mr and Mrs
W.E. Kinsey-Jones, of Rowhook,
Sussex.

Mr M.F. Collopy and Miss C.A. Merison The engagement is announced between Matthew, son of Mr and Mrs John Collopy, of Melbourne, Anstralia, and Clare, daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Merison, of Chiddingly, Sussex. Mr C.D. Ekinger and Miss A.M. Waterbury

the engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs Nelson Ethinger, of Connection, USA, and Marguerite, younger-daughter of Mr and Mrs Clair Waterbury, of Virginia Water, Surrey. Mr J.S. Lamburn and Miss K.L. Beardwell

The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr. and Mrs H.S. Lamburn, of Praze, Cornwall, and Kate, daughter of Dr and Mrs C.G. Beardwell, of Taxal Derbyshire Mr R.H.G. Lee

and Miss C.J. Davies The engagement is announced between Robert, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.H.W. Lee, of Firbeck, South Yorkshire, and Cathryne, daughter of Mr and Mrs G.J. Davies, of East Markham, Nottinghamshire.

Mr J. Lewis and Miss G. Holgate The engagement is announced between James, son of Mrs R. Lewis and the late Mr A. Lewis, of Devon, and Gillian, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Holgate, of

Mr C.D. Lloyd and Miss G.M. Hurley The engagement is announced between Colin, only son of Mr P.D. Lloyd, of Cowes, Isle of Wight and Mrs J.R. Lloyd, of Hoylake, Wirtal, and Geraldine, only daughter of the late Dr G.C. Hurley and of Mrs M.E. Hurley, of Yarmouth, Isle of Wight.

Mr J.O. Ozenham and Miss J. Rateliff The engagement is announced berween John Oliver, only son of Mr and Mrs Derek Oxenham, of Exerc. Devon, and Jenny, only daughter of Mr John Rarcliff, of Great Amwell, Hertfordshire, and Mrs Maureen Ratcliff, of St John's Wood, London.

Mr B.B. Parker and Miss H.M. Douglas-Bate

The engagement is announced between Edward, youngest son of Captain H.B. Parker, Royal Navy, and Mrs Parker, of Steep, Hampshire, and Harrier, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A.S. Douglas-Bare, of Stone, Ruykinghayarchiva

#### and Miss J.C. Flak

The engagement is announced between Richard, younger son of Mr and Mrs S.A.C. Piller, of Hockley, Essex, and Jennifer, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D.C. Fisk, of Frimley, Surrey.

#### Mr.C.D.S. Porter and Miss S.A. Beanett

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs D.S. Porter, of Chelsea, London, and Sally, daughter of Dr and Mrs W.G. Bennett, of Romiley, Cheshire.

#### Marriages Mr A.N. Lee

and Miss E.L. Baxtes The marriage took phile on Thursday, July 16, in the Chapel of the Order of the British Empire, St Paul's Cathedral, of Mr Adrian Lee, elder son of Brigadier and Mrs Christopher Lee, to Miss Emily Baxter, only daughter of Mr Oliver Baxter and Mrs David Wingfield. The Dean of St Paul's, The Very Rev Eric Evans, officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Alicia Jackson, Georgina Christiand, Kade and George Bull, Charles Hamilton and Simon Batting, Mr Simon Les was best man.

A reception was held at the Skinners' Hall and the

and Miss S.H. Pücher The marriage took piece on St Mary's Church, Overson, Hampshire, of Mr Seknas Lyons, of Marsh Court, Lyons, of Marsh Court, Hampshire, to Miss Sobile Pilcher. of Steventon, Hampshire.

#### Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Isaac Watts, Byoth writer, Southampton, 1674; Paul Delaroche, painter, Paris, 1797. DEATHS: William Scherville.

DEATHS: William Stimewille, poet, Edstone, Warwickshire, 1742; Adam Smith, ethiomist, Edinburgh, 1790; Charlotte Corday, assassin of Jean-Paul Marst, executed, Paris, 1793; Charlotte Cord, assassin of Jean-Paul Marst, executed, Paris, 1793; Charlotte, Paris, 1793; Charlotte, 2nd Earl Grey, gitte minister 1832-34, Almwick, Northumberland, 1845; Jeanes McNeill Whistler, painter, London, 1903; Alvaro Ghregori, president of Mexico Chy, 1928; George William Russell (AE), writer, Bournermouth; 1935; Draza Mikhalovic, Jeanet of the Yugoslav Chemilis, executed, Bel-Yugoslav Chemiks, executed, Bel-grade, 1946; Billie Holiday, jazz singer, New York, 1959.

The Postdarh Conference headed by Churchill (later by Aitlee), Truman and Stalin specific, 1945. Leopold III King of the Belgians, abdicated and was suc-ceeded by his son, Bandouin, 1951

#### Latest wills

Mr John Hanbury Angus Sparrew, of Iffley, Oxfordshire, Warden of All Souls College, Oxford 1952-77, left estate valued at £1,688,137 net. He left his poreraits of Dr Samuel Pair to St John's College, Cambridge, his works by James Glies to Aberdeen Museum and Art Gallery, his works by William Etty to York City Art Gallery, his landscape by Derwent Lees to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery and his painting by Boudin and other secures to the Astimolean

He left a number of bequests and half the residue of the estate to personal legatest; his published and, unpublished works and a quarter of the residue to All Souls Library, other minuscripts and a twelfth of the residue to the Bodleian Library, and a twelfth each to New College, Oxioso, and Winchester College, Harapshire, for the School library.

Mr John James Davy, estate valued at £1,019,625 net.

#### Luncheons :

Sternberg, Centre for Judaism, 😮 Sir Sigmund and Lady Sternberg Sir Signification and Lady Stamberg were hosts at a hundred held on Tuesday at the Stemberg Centre for Judaism in honour of Mr Ira Lipman, Vice President of the International Council of Christians and Jews and President of the National Council of Christians and Jews and President of the National Council of Christians and Jews and President of the National Council of Christians and Jews and President of Christians and Jews and President of Christians and Jews and President of Christians and Jews and Jew tions and Jews (USA).

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The Tablet -The Trustees and Directors of The Tablet entertained Mr John Wilkins at luncheon at the Gar-rick Club yesterday, to mark the teath anniversary of his assuming the editorship of The Tablet.

#### Lord Weatherill

The life barony conferred on Mr Bernard Weatherill has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Weatherill, of North East Croydon in the London Borough of Croydon.

#### Reception

Prime Minister The Prime Minister was host at a reception held last night at 10 Downing Street in honour of leading scientists.

#### Telephone 071 481 4000

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Telefax 071 782 7827

io ny humble prayer, and to the prayer of your servants who delight to revers your name. Nehemiah 1:11 REB BURTHS

Skeet, MP, Dr Keith Hampson, MP, and Dr Peter Clapham.

CRAIG - On July 7th, in Lucerne, Switzerland, lo Virginia (nee Weidler) and Andrew, a son, Christopher Andrew, a James, a Alexander PETHERSTORHAUGH - On July 15th, to Alexia mee Lees) and Guy, a daughter, Rose.

HEWITT - On July 7th, to Philippa (nee Baker) and Robert, a daughter, Charlotte Mary, a sister for George and

LUCE - On July 11th, Therese and H.; ry, daughter, Sophle Helen, slater for Polly Tara. MacLAREN - On July 9th, to Jennie (née Carne) and Stewart. a son. Finlay George Stewart, a brother for Christian. MITANI - On July 16th, at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Kiyaoki and Miyuki, a son, Hideaki

NEILL - On July 6th 1992. at St George's Hospital, to Joanna (née Bell) and Andrew. a daughter, Virginia Elizabeth. a sister for Alexandra. SHELDON - On July 15th. to

Janey (nec Buxton) and Tim, a daughler. Louisa Margaret, a cistor for Exidic and Minns - A hat trick for Tim. VEITCH - On July 13th, to Rosemary tnee Fair) and Graham, a daughter, a sister for Caroline and Thomas. DEATHS

ANSELL - On July 16th 1992. Isle. aged 89 years, or pulborough. Requirem Mass at St Gabriel's Church. Billingshurst, at 11.30 am on Wednesday July 22md. A dedicated and devoted heiger at St Gabriel's Church for almost 40 years. R.I.P. No flowers. Donations to CA.F.O.D. C/o St Gabriel's Church for almost 40 years. R.I.P. No flowers. Donations to CA.F.O.D. C/o St Gabriel's Church.

BETHUNE - On July 16th 1992. peacefully in the Raddilf'e Infirmary, aged 85. Lilia, widow of Charles, much lowed mother of Lawless. Flora. Ceraldine and Hugh. Funceral on July 20th at St Lury's. Medicated, at 11 am Family flowers and Hugh. Funceral on July 20th at St Lury's. Medicated, at 11 am Family flowers and Hugh. Funceral on July 20th at St Lury's. Medicated, at 11 am Family flowers only consulting to her memory default and the late Margarat, tather of the late Margarat, tather of the late Bridget Proctor. Alan and Neil and much lowed grand. Family flowers only. On July 16th 1992. after a long illness. Horself Late Bridget Proctor. Alan and Neil and much lowed grand. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to 2 July 24th a granged by H. Bishop & Son. Chard Lel. 0460-63284. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to 35 Siephens. Church c/o The Vicarage. Thorncombe, TA20 HPP.

IANTIEDGE - On Juby 14th, aged 86. peacefully at St Albans City Hospital. After a brief liless. Horself Avenue. London Nio 38s.

In the Britannia Abby on Thursday July 23rd at 2pm. Flowers to Phillips Funeral Service at St Albans Abby on Thursday July 23rd at 2pm. Flowers to Phillips Funeral Service, 68 Alma, Road. St Albans or donations if preferred to Exservice Control of the St. Part of the late Janet, and his children Thomas, Harriet and Richard. Please no details and Richard. Please no details and Neil and Neil and Richard. Please no details and Neil and Richard. Please no details of the Richard. Please no details of the Richard. Please no details and Neil and Neil and Neil and Neil and Neil and Meil and much lowed to the Neil Service of Control of t

DEATHS GANTER - On July 13th. beacefully at Frimley Park Hospital. Grace Maude thee Toddi. aged 84. of Church Crookham. Fleet and previously of St Lucia and Trinidad. Beloved mother of Linda and dear friend of many. Cremalion Service at St John's Crematorium. Woking, Tuesday July 21st at 2.30 pm Flowers or donations. if desired, to Age Concern. Enquiries to A & W Goddard. tel: 10252: 616431.

GREGORY - On July 15th 1992. Malcoim Cresory O.B.E., F.I.C.E., F.R.T.P.I., beloved husband and companion for 60 years of Winifred, losing (ather of Richard and Jennifer and grandfather of Sarah and James, Funeral Service at St. Peler's Church, Wesion Favell, Northampion, all 11 45 am on Monday July 20th, Family flowers only.

HARLE - On July IIth. Hugh Palmer Halle MBE. peacefully at home in Cyprus. Loving husband. father and grandfather.

JONES - On July 15th al home surrounded by his family, Humphrey 29ed 56. after a brief but strong fight against cancer Devoted husband of Jenny, proud father of Humphrey. Eleanor and Miranda and beloved son of Rene There will be a familty funeral service on July 22nd followed by a Memorial Service in the autumn. Flowers may be sent to Francts Chappell. 39 Woolwich Road, Greenwich.

PERKINS - On July 4th 1992.
Peter Nevard of
Loughborough. Lekestershire. peacefully after a
twelve month battle against
cancer Beloved husband of
Betty. adored father of Hazel.
Alison. Peter and Beverley,
toving brother to hvin sister
Betty and cherished by all his
grandchildren. Cremation
held in Loughborough on
July 100h 1992.
Remembered always for his
love, humour and courage

PRICE-JORES - On July 9th 1992 at Bryntello Nursing Home. Mary. dearly loved wife of the late David of Maesquarre Llandello and mother of Susannah. The funeral took place at Cardiff on July 16th.

ROTH - On July 15th, peacefully at home, Anthony Roth, 
dearest husband of Priscilla 
and much loved father of 
Gabriel and Zachary. 
Funeral Service to be held on 
Wednesday July 22nd, 2 pm 
at Golders Green Jewish 
cemetery, Hoop Lane NW 11 
copposite the crematorium 
followed by burial at 3 pm at 
Hampstead Cemetery. 
Fortune Green Road, NW6. 
No flowers please, but donations to the Support Team 
Fund, Royal Free Hospital. 
Hampstead, Ref. Grant 558.

LEGAL NOTICES SHELBOURNE On July 15th peacefully in York House Rest Home. Kathleen Mary, aged 89, beloved wife of the late Leslie. Requiem Mass at 5t Mary's Convent. Swange, at 2.50 nm Tuesday July 21st followed by cremation. Family flowers only Enguiries to James Smith Funeral Directors. 60A Klays Road. Swanage. let: (0929) 422445.

WILLIAMS - On July 16th 1992. In the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital. Peter, beloved husband of Allson and dearly loved father of Pru. Private cremation. No flowers please but donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation

TAYLOR - On July 14th.
peacefully in her sleep. Neille
Elizabeth, aged 86. of
alversioue, Hampshire. Will
be sadly missed by all her
family. especially Janet.
Tomy and Betty Funeral
scruce 2 pm at St Mary's
Church, Alverstoke, on
Friday July 17th followed by
cremation at Portchester
Cromatorium. Family
flowers only please but dona-Crematorium. Family flowers only please but dona-tions if desired to the British Red Cross Society c/o Churcher & Tribbeck. 3 Stoke Road. Gosport. Hants.

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Pursuant to Section 59, tobsection 1981 (1991) and 1992 at 12 or 1992 at 12 ortic and 1 min present to Section 98, Subsection 123, of the Act. Peter Lornes of Pestoleton and Appleton 20, 1886, Street, Manchestor, 32, 1886, Street, Manchestor, Manchestor, Practitions with such information as they may reasonably require. DATED this 10th day of July 1992

BY ORDER OF THE SOARD

J.A STOTT, DIRECTOR

LEGAL NOTICES No. 008365 of 1992
IN THE HIGH COURT
OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER of
FRAMILINGTON
HOLDINGS LIMITED

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(IN MENGERS

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
Company Number: 1837346
NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS
OF LOREREN LIMITED
On 28 June 1992 the abovenamed company was placed in
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Bridge, London SEI 9QL was
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The liquidator gives notice pursuant to Rude 4.1823, of the libed-ventry Rules 1986 that the creditors of the labor worth and the creditors of the labor worth the liquidator, at the above different by 21 August 1992 which to the lost dele for proving claims. The liquidator also gives notice that he will then make a liquid to the liquidator also gives notice that he will then make a liquidator also gives the liquidator al Rochection of Share Premium
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will not be included in the distribution.

The company is able to pay all its known creditors in fulf.

Dated 10 July 1992

Richard Victor Verburgh Scichim, Liquidator.

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver' CRAHAM WOOD PLC Administrative Receiversh Registered number: 1672995 Nature of business: Heating Com-pany. Trade classification: 23 LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE MATTER OF WEALDSTONE FOOTBALL.
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PERSONAL APPEARS IN LIFE & TIMES SECTION - PAGE 9

(c) Marshy or swampy, from the Latin pains, paintles a biog: "Here Ford and Hemingway corrected the paintstrai photic of The Making of Americans." TANLING ...

(b) The custom of taking wives from outside the clum or group, fities the Greek exe-outside + gameia to marry: "The First Consul at fertility god, a wandering Fringes. But it was true; a great man was exploited to statter bastards abroad. War might be an instrument of exagantia." CACOPOXY

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Waterhouse No I London Bridge,
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Answers from page 18 PALUSTRAL

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(a) Shing fire the modern breed of sun-worskippers, somebody who is tamed by the sun, and not frightened of chin cancer, from tan + the diminative ling as in philing or deritage. "One of a wheen of tanilings cartalled in the gyantaium." EXOGANIA ...

#### SIR PERCIVAL **GRIFFITHS**

r Percival Griffiths, KBE, ME, former official in the Indian Civil Service and usinessman, died on July 14 aged 93. He was born on January 15, 1899.

S LEADER of the non-offial European bloc in the gistative Assembly in Del-Percival Griffiths, was nsulted by successive viceys on the interests and opin-ns of the British mmercial community, not ist by Lord Mountbatten in e negotiations that precedthe transfer of power. He is spent 15 years in the dian Civil Service in Benbefore entering business in India. After indepennce he gained a still wider outation as an astute intereter of events in the subminent and an expert on nomic relations between s country and the successor.



ates of India, Pakistan and ingladesh. He also became prolific and versatile

Percival Joseph Griffiths as the son of J. T. Griffiths Ashford, Middlesex, and as educated at the Central bundation School, then at eterhouse, Cambridge, and ondon University. He was ppointed to the Indian Civil ervice in 1922 and posted to engal. Engaged in district ork during a period of politutrages, he volunteered to erve as collector in a district i which his three predeces-ors in the post had been assassinated. In 1929 he was ppointed manager of the estes of the Nawab of Dacca. ne greatest zemindari in

PJ", as he was generally nown, retired from the ICS n 1937 to enter business life n Calcutta. He was promptly flected to the Central Legisla-ave Assembly in which, in

second world war he again served the government of India as central organiser of the National War Front and as publicity adviser. His advice to government in the period before independence culminated in an interview with Lord Mountbatten shortly before the viceroy determined on his plan for the transfer of

Back in England, Griffiths became adviser to the India Tea Association and to the newly-formed India, Pakistan and Burma Association, comprising British firms trading in the sub-continent. of which he was later elected president. On its behalf, or on that of the several companies of which he was a director, he made frequent tours, not only to India and Pakistan but also to Burma, Sri Lanka and Indonesia. Quick, receptive and frank in discussion, he was a successful negotiator whose reports and opinions were treated with great re-spect by his associates and the

trading community.

He was an effective lecturer and contributor to the press and was the author of a long sequence of books. His British in India, published in 1947, was illuminated by his own experiences, including casual acquaintances in train or bus; The British Impact on India (1952) expressed his conviction that British rule had helped to inculcate the qualities needed to sustain national democratic independence; The Changing Face of Communism (1961) and Empire to Commonwealth illustrated the range of his political interests. He later took to industrial history, writing the stories of the Indi-an tea industry, the Incheape Group and the Joint Steamer Companies; his history of the English chartered compames, A Licence to Trade, was especially praised, as was his history of the Indian Police. His final book, which conveys his affection for the people of the sub-continent was Vignettes of India

He was made a Companion of the Order of the Indian Empire in 1943, knighted in 1947 and appointed KBE in 1963: Prepossessing neither in stature nor in counte nance, "P.F" earned the affection of his friends and the admiration of his colleagues.

In 1924 he married Kathleen Mary, daughter of T. R. Wilkes of Kettering, by whom ive Assembly in which, in he had two sons (one de-1946, he became leader of ceased). She died in 1979, and in 1985 he married Maspeeches adding much to the rie, widow of Sir Herbert animation of debates. In the Shirley Smith.

#### **ASHBY HARPER**

Ashby Harper, who became the oldest man to swim the English Channel in 1982 at the age of 65, died in Greenwich, Connecticut, on July 11,

aged 75. ALBUQUERQUE. 'New Mexico, where Ashby Harper chose to live, is one of the driest spots in the United States. It was an odd place to find a man who seemed to spend his entire life looking for large bodies of water to

conquer. The older he got, the further Harper swam. In 1988, at the age of 71, he capped his -7 Channel performance by swimming all the way round the island of Manhattan, a distance of 29 miles. He also

swam 26 miles across California's Santa Barbara Channel, and braved the 21 miles of Lake Tahoe.

Harper was a teacher by profession. He had graduat-ed from Princeton University. where he played baseball and football as well as swimming competitively.

In the 1940s he went to South America as director of schools in Ecuador and Peru. He joined the Peace Corps in 1962 and became the first director in Guatemala.

He died as he lived, succumbing to an apparent blood clot only hours after taking part in a one-mile swimming race.

He is survived by his wife,

two sons and a daughter.

#### ANTONIO MARCEGLIA

Antonio Marceglia, the Italian naval officer who in 1941 took his "human torpedo" into the harbour of Alexandria and put out of action the British battleship HMS Queen

Elizabeth, died in Venice on July 14 aged 76. He was born on July 28, 1915. THE raid on Alexandria, car-

ried out during the night be-tween December 18 and 19, 1941; was the most brilliant operation credited to the Italian Navy during the second world war. The attack, with three imman torpedoes each mounted by two men with breathing apparatus, succeeded in putting out of ac-tion the banleships Valiant and Queen Elizabeth. It was supremely typical of a service which was as ingenious, daring and courageous in small scale actions involving a few individual officers, as it was mismanaged and self-defeat-ing in fleet actions controlled directly by the Supermarina in Rome.

The three human torpedoes were dropped by the submarine Scire just outside the port of Alexandria, the eastern base of the Royal Navy's Mediterranean fleet. Under water and in darkness, surfacing occasionally to check their course, the three "maiali" (or "pigs"), as the Italians called them, each moved towards its target.

One, commanded by Luigi Durand de La Penne (obituary, January 21), released its 500 pound warhead beneath the hull of the bauleship Valiant. Lieutenant de La Penne and his navy diver, Emilio Bianchi, were immediately captured by the Vallant's crew and put deep inside the ship as an encouragement to reveal exactly where they had placed their charge. But they

The crippling of the two

kept silent until it exploded at dawn. The battleship was out of action for six and a half months.

The second "maiale," with Lieutenant Vincenzo Martellotta and navy diver Mario Marino, failed to find an aircraft carrier in harbour and placed its warhead under an 8,000 ton tanker. They were soon captured after landing on shore.
The "maiale" ridden by

Captain Antonio Marceglia and navy diver Spartaco Schergat was the most suc-cessful of the three. They found the Queen Elizabeth, dropped their charge under-neath and beached their "maiale" hours before the warhead exploded. The 32,000 tonne Queen Eliza-beth, Admiral Andrew Cunningham's flagship, was seriously damaged and put out of action for a year and a half.

British capital ships influenced the balance of sea power in the Eastern Mediterranean, although the Italians failed to take advantage of the situation. But for Marceglia and

Schergat events after the attack were almost as exciting as the attack itself. Having abandoned their "maiale" on an isolated beach they took off their diving suits and rolled up the sleeves of the uniforms they were wearing underneath to hide the Ital-ian insignia. Taking advantage of the fact that their uniforms were very similar to those of the French navy, they wandered around Alexandria harbour for some time until they found the railway

Their plan was to reach Rashid, 40 miles east along the coast, where it had been agreed that an Italian subma-

rine would surface for three successive nights to take them off. They tried to pay for their train tickets with British turned them over to the Brit-

Cunningham said: "One cannot help but admire the sangfroid of these Italians." Winston Churchill was also impressed and ordered the Royal Navy to work along similar lines. The "chariots", the British version of the "maiali", were duly developed but failed in an attempt to attack the German battleship Tirpitz in a Norwegian fjord.

Trieste and after three years ficer in the Naval Engineers.

After the war Marceglia left the navy and worked for a time on salvage operations in the Mediterranean. In 1954 he took a job at the Fincantieri shipyards in Venice of which he became first managing director and then president before he retired. It is to his credit that the Venice shipyard is the only one of those originally controlled by the state-run Fincantieri

#### pound notes with which they had been supplied. But they discovered that their intelligence service had blundered and that pounds sterling were not legal tender in Egypt. They changed their money with a street corner moneychanger and took the train to Rashid where they

booked into a hotel and set about looking for a small boat. But the next day they were stopped by an Egyptian patrol that arrested them and

After the attack Admiral curean, francophile, dis-

Antonio Marceglia was born in Istria, today part of Yugoslavia. He grew up in in the Naval Academy and a two-year naval engineering course at Genoa University was commissioned as an of-

which has been successfully privatised recently.

nicate directly and sympa-thetically with students and staff alike. He could pass on the wisdom gained from a lifetime of experience in high endeavours in science, tech-nology and public affairs. His knowledge of, and contact with, people who mattered were astonishing. His addresses to the new graduates at degree congregations were always topical: debate in the House of Lords, cut and thrust in select committees, visits of delegations to foreign countries, trenchant advice to ministers and their civil servants, the overriding importance of manufacturing industry to a country's

**APPRECIATIONS** 

Felix Markham

MAY I add a few words to your obituary of Felix Mark-

ham (July 9)? I met him at

Oxford, through Enid

Starkie: they had paid a joint

visit to Burgundy, to sample

the delights of the vineyards

and to be appointed cheva-

liers du tastevin. Each of

them treasured the small sil-

ver cup, on a riband, which

proclaimed their new distinc-

tion. It was, I think, Felix who

decided that such hospitality

must be returned; he orga-

nized a dinner for his French

hosts in New College, at

which only Burgundian food

and vins de bourgogne were

served. It was a gargantuan

Indeed, I always seem to

see Felix across some well-

appointed table: genial, epi-

Lord Kearton

May I add to this?

occasion.

Professor J. R. Quayle,



product of a lifetime's

Felix had his unchangeable

bachelor habits - he always

took a walk after lunch, round

the gardens of New College -

but he was generous with his

friendship and with his time.

His sadness was almost pal-

affection.

the stage on which they would shortly play their own parts. The university has lost a most remarkable chancellos and friend. One of his last public university functions was to preside over the Charter Day celebrations to mark the 25th anniversary of the granting of the Royal Charter to the university. He had played a key role in almost one half of those first 25

#### PROFESSOR KENNETH BAKER

Samuel John Kenneth Baker, OBE, professor of geography at Makerere University, Uganda, from 1949 to 1967, and

subsequently emeritus professor, died in Bradford on June 9 aged 85. He was bera in Keighley on May 8, 1907.

IN THE 18 years in which he was professor of geography at Makerere University in Kam-pala, Kenneth Baker built up the department into one of the leading such units in tropical Africa. He was always particularly concerned with teaching and with the development of close personal (often continued long after graduation) and with the schools of Uganda.

He was one of the founders of the Uganda Geographical Association and instituted its journal. The East African Geographical Review, and as early as 1955 the association hosted a symposium on "Nat-ural Resources" under the auspices of the International Geographical Union.

Kenneth Baker's parents had moved to Bradford in 1911 and he was educated there before going from Belle Vue Boys' School in October, 1924 to read geography at the University of Liverpool That happy choice shaped both his academic and personal development. He found in his professor, P.M. Roxby, an inspiring teacher who, like Baker, was motivated both by a strongly humanist approach to geography and a deep commitment to his fel-



low men. Graduating with of only 20, Baker had already begun his studies of Africa with a dissertation on Tanganyika. He was to extend that work through study-leave spent in East Africa in 1933 which led to a number of papers on population in Uganda and input into Hailey's definitive An African Survey (1938).
These twin foundations of

his academic career were thus established early. In the small Liverpool department in which he taught from 1928 to 1946 Baker played a key role in first-year studies in which his qualities as a tutor — both academically and as a personal mentor, not least in the men's residence at Rankin and then Derby Hall - were valued by successive generations of students, especially those from Africa. Although shy and rather diffident - he was not a confident lecturer - Baker's

concern for the individual reflected both a departmental and personal ethos. Such qualities and a deep

concern for, and personal knowledge of, the peoples of East Africa were to stand him in good stead when, in 1947. he went as resident tutor in geography to Makerere College where he found, on arrival, only 300 students and but one academic geographer colleague, V. C. R. Ford, who had been appointed a year Baker's early months were

dominated by protracted, difficult and frustrating negotiations that culminated in 1949 in the establishment of Baker valued in particular the special relationship with the University of London that meant so much to so many of the newly-created academic establishments in British colonial Africa at this critical stage in their development. He was appointed to the newly-established chair of geography in 1949 and remained there until his retirement in

As the years in Makerere passed. Baker became increasingly involved in administration and played a key role in the formation of the federal University of East Africa. He was vice-principal of Makerere between 1965 and 1967 and then stayed on for a further year as adviser on academic administration. Baker's achievements in Makerere were recognised by the appointment of OBE and

and Bradford Universities. His love of Uganda — a very beautiful country — and of its people showed itself in his often-expressed intention to remain in the country in retirement, possibly in Mbale. He decided otherwise, however, in the light of the changes in the political climate and the emergence of dictatorship in the country. These developments led to

the sad decline in the standing of Makerere in the community and to the disappearance, at least temporarily, of the high academic standards and values for which Baker and his colleagues in the university had fought for so long and so hard. So, greatly distressed by events and attitudes in the country for which he had such an affection, Baker returned to the country of his birth and from 1968 until his death he shared a house with his sister in Bradford.

Over the next 24 happy and productive years, he threw himself enthusiastically into geographical work, especially as president of the Bradford branch of the Geographical Association, and writing on East Africa (inciuding many entries in the Encyclopaedia Britannica) and on the history of geography. Above all, he gave himself to the life and work of Bradford Cathedral: as keeper of registers and records; as organiser of its arrangements for visitors; as the historian of a number of aspects of its work: and, not least, in his

#### Thomas . Bergmann

YOUR fascinating obituary of that colourful character Thomas Bergmann (June 19) omits one of the most bizarre episodes in his unusual अत्या

wellbeing — this was the Kearton world and he held it

out to the new graduates as

Back in the Fifties, having found himself a square peg in the round hole of weekly journalism at Romsey, Tom turned businessman and bought a restaurant in Southempton. He called it the Cafe de Schnitzel. Here he tried to recapture something of the atmosphere of a pre-war Cen-

for artists and writers. It didn't always work out the way he wanted. There was the time he hired a local art student to do a mural depicting his regulars. Miffed at being viciously caricatured, several of them never returned! Neither did a Catholic poet after Tom, during a heated debate, described Christ as "almost as good a philosopher as Spinoza".

1 om benevolent Lord of Misrule invented his own dishes, e.g. a "Oustermass", a Cyclopean mess comprising a bowl of tomato soup with a poached

John Edgar Mann

#### July 17 ON THIS DAY 1936

Two months after this incident George Andrew McMahon was sentenced to a year's hard labour for producing a revolver "with intent to alarm the King". Readers will

remember a similar incident in 1981 when blank shots were fired at the Queen after Trooping the Colour.

ALARM IN ROYAL **PROCESSION** 

When the King was returning to Buckingham Palace yes-terday morning at the head of the six battalions of the Guards to whom he had presented new Colours in Hyde Park, a re-volver loaded in four chambers was thrown onto the roadway on Constitution Hill by a man who pushed his way to the front of the crowd. The weapon fell between the King and the following troops and was promptly picked up by a mounted police officer. The man was immediately arrested.

THE KING'S CALM One onlooker tells that at the top of Constitution Hill a man, who had been standing in the crowd to the left of the oncoming procession, suddenly raised his arm and threw a revolver into the roadway. apparently with the intention of hitting the King. Happily, the weapon missed its mark and fell on the roadway a few feet in front of his Majesty's

Other eye-witnesses said variously that the missile struck the flank of the horse, that a man who appeared to be holding a revolver had his hand gripped by a woman and a policeman, and that the weapon fell into the roadway. and that the revolver, before it was thrown, had been levelled at the King, It seems to be agreed that within a matter of seconds a man had been seized by the police and hurried away from the spot. Another policeman jumped from his horse and quickly picked up the

revolver, which he handed to a superior officer. The King appeared to realize that something exceptional was happening turned his head in the direction of the spot from which the revolver had been thrown, and spoke either to his equerty or to Major General Sergison-Brooke, who were riding behind him. It is stated that Sir John Aird turned his horse and rode back to the spot where the revolver had fallen, but the procession

the Palace People 50 yards down the roadway who loudly cheered the passing of the King were apparently without any know-ledge of what had happened half a minute earlier.

A staff photographer of The

did not halt and moved on to

Times states that he was taking pictures from the top of the arch at the end of Constitution Hill. He did not see anything thrown, and his attention was first attracted by a hill in the cheering. He saw a mounted police officer - who, presumably, had been stationed in front of the crowd - ride forward from the south side of Constitution Hill, dismount and pick up from the ground a black object. At the same time a man was seized by police at the back of the crowd on the north side of the hill. He thought that this man had thrown the black object over the heads of the crowd in front of him. He took a photograph showing the officer in the road examining the object, and also the man under arrest.

There was little visible excitement. The King rode straight on, and it was all over. By the time he had gone 20 yards along the hill it would have been difficult to say that any thing unusual had happened He did not think the people in front of the crowd knew that anything had happened.

During the showing of the news reel at the Empire Theatre the audience sang "God Save the King" to musical accompaniment when the King was seen taking the salute at the close of the morning's

#### Church news

Clergy appointments The Rev Canon David Frayne, Vicar, St Mary, Redcliffe w Temple, Bristol and St John the Baptist, Bedminster (Bristol): 10 be Provost of Blackburn (Blackburn) succeeding the Very Rev Lawrence Jackson

The Rev Clive Young, Vicar, St Paul w St Mark, Old Ford, and Area Dean of Tower Hamlets: to be Archdeacon of Hackney (succeeding the Ven Roger Sharpley), and Vicar, the Guild Church of St Andrew, Holborn

(London). The Rev John Alderman, Vicar. Bursledon: to be Rector, Dibden.

The Rev David Burleigh, nonstipendiary Minister, Birkenhead Team Parish: to be stipendiary Assistant Curate, Birkenhead Team Parish (Chester). The Rev Derek Carrivick, Rector,

Cheimsley Wood, and part-time Diocesar Ecumentical Officer (Birmingham): to be Rector. Baxteriey w Huricy and Wood End and Merevale w Bendey.

same diocese.
The Rev Canon Peter Christensen, Rector, St Barnabas and Rural Dean of Wirral South to be full-time Chaplain to Arrowe Park Hospital, Wirral (Chester). The Rev John Cooper, Vicar, Holy Trinity w St Wilfrid's. Bingley to be Vicar. St James, Silsden

(Bradford). The Rev Graham Crook, Vicar, Nelson, St Bede (Blackburn): 10

be whole time Chaplain to South-end Hospital (Chelmsford). The Rev Geoffrey Driver, Curate,

The Rev Geotrey Driver, Curate, Wahon (Liverpool): to be Curate, Selsey (Chichester). The Rev Reg Harcus: Priest-incharge, Bohney (Chichester): has been appointed also an Honorary Canon of St Peter's Cathedral, Koforidus, Ghana. The Rev Clive Larsen, Assistant Curate, Weaverham: 10 be Assistant Curate, St John, Alvanely, St Luke, Dunham-on-the-Hill; and St Paul, Helsby (Chester).

The Rev Dennis Lloyd, Assistant Curate, Hamworthy (Salisbury): to be Chaplain to the University of East Anglia (Norwich). The Rev Marion Mingins: to be an Honorary Canon of the Cathedral Church of St James, Bury St

Edmunds (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich).
The Rev Robert North, Team Vicar, Hereford South Wye Team Ministry: to be Diocesan Director of Ordinands and Priest-incharge, St Nicholas, Hereford (Hereford).

The Rev Christine Rhodes, nonstipendiary Curate, Weobley: to be Assistant Hospital Chaplain in the Hereford Hospitals

(Hereford).
The Rev Charles Richardson. The Rev Charles Richardson, Rector, Hastings St Clement and All Saints to be also Rural Dean of Hastings (Chichester). The Rev Jonathan Sewell, Youth Officer, Enfield deanery (London): to be Diocesan Youth Officer (Winchester).

The Rev Mark Strange, Curate, Worcester, St Barnabas w Christchurch: to be Vicar, Worcester, St Wulston (Worcester). The Rev Jill Talbot-Ponsonby. Curate, Leominster Team Min-

istry: to be non-stipendiary min-ister. Wigmore Abbey parishes (Hereford).
The Rev David Thornley, Vicar,
Amberley w North Stoke and
Parham, Wiggonholt and
Greatham: to be Priest-in-charge,
South Bersted (Chichester).
The Rev Nick Wetherall, Team
Vicar, Leominster (Hereford): to
be Vicar, Cuckfield (Chichester).
The Rev David Wiles, Curan, St. (Hereford).

The Rev David Wiles, Curate, St Stephen, Clapham Park to be Vicar, St Luke, Wimbledon Park (Southwark). The Rev Anthony Willis, Assista Curate, St John the Evangelist, Ivybridge (Exerer): to be Assistant Curate, All Saints, Catherington with St James, Clanfield (Portsmouth).

Resignations and retirements The Rev Canon Donald Carter, Rector, Christ Church and St Mary Magdalen, St Leonard'son-Sear resigned as Rural Dean of Hastings (Chichester) as from 30

The Rev Hugh Elliot, Rector, East w West Harling and Bridgham w Roudham (Norwich): to retire as from 30 October. The Rev Timothy Fletcher, Rector, Barcombe (Chichester): to retire as from 1 October.

#### Architecture

the award of honorary de-

grees of Makerere, Liverpool

#### Road blights 'film' village

BY MARCUS BINNEY, ARCHITECTURE CORRESPONDENT

THE picturesque fishing village of Fishguard in Dyfed is rising in anger against Welsh Office proposals to improve the flow of heavy traffic along its narrow streets.

Fishguard does not want

crude heart surgery, it needs a

proper bypass now, says Pat Molloy, chairman of the newly-formed civic society. Fishguard has long been a favourite of photographers, calendar publishers and film makers, but though popular

with holidaymakers it has es-

caped unsympathetic tourist Local people take pride that it was here that the last invasion of British soil, mounted in 1797 by a French force recruited from prisons and calling itself the Black Legion, was defeated by the

Pembrokeshire Yeomanry. The timeless charm of simple fishermen's cottages, ranged along a snaking quayside has made Fishguard a

magnet for film personalities from John Houston to Gregory Peck and it has been used as a backdrop for Moby Dick and Under Milk Wood.

Today Fishguard suffers from increasing numbers of heavy lorries travelling the main coastal route from Haverfordwest to Aberystwyth. "You cannot adapt a horseand-cart town to juggernauts without destroying it." says Mr Molloy.

Dyfed County Council has also told the Secretary of State for Wales that his piece-meal approach "would contribute nothing to assist trunk road flows and desecrate a most picturesque, unspoiled and unique fishing village. The road works would involved demolition of a listed bridge, a listed pub, and the munifation of a characteristic Welsh chapel.

Roger Anderson, the district council's director of planning, says: "The best

views of the settlement are from above, looking down, where every detail is conspicuous. A modern road bisecting Lower Town would cause irreparable visual harm."

Sir Wyn Roberts, Minister of State, has rejected calls to provide Fishguard with a full scale bypass costing £5.5 million as opposed to £1 million for re-aligning existing roads. There are many other sections of trunk road improvements in Wales which would offer a much better cost benefit return and at Fishguard there is no practical alterna-

tive route," he says. The most significant support for the scheme has come from 65 residents most dir-

ectly affected. A public enquiry is likely to be held in the autumn. Meanwhile, the district council has commissioned an environmental impact study, something which the Welsh Office has failed to carry out.

#### egg dropped into it. tral European meeting place

#### **Blue Arrow** appeal renews campaign for trial reform

BY FRANCES GIBB. LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

THE government last night came under renewed pressure to tackle long fraud trials after the Court of Appeal quashed the convictions of four city advisers in the Blue

The decision, for which judges will give reasons later, is thought to have based on defence counsel's argument that the trial became unmanageable because of its length and complexity, prejudicing

the defendants' case.
David Reed, Nicholas
Wells, Martin Gibbs and Jonathan Cohen were convicted at the end of a year-long Old Bailey trial of plotting to deceive financial markets over the 1987 £837 million Blue Arrow rights issue. They were

#### Israel calls halt to settlement

Continued from page 1 greater contrast to the policles of the outgoing Likud government, whose expansionist drive was the corner-

stone of its policy.

The senier movement condemned Mr Ben-Eliezer's actions as "a gross violation of accepted democratic norms" and vowed to organise opposition against the government in the Knesset (parliament) by bringing a vote of no confidence.

Under Labour's election platform the new government has vowed to continue expanding "strategic" Jewish settlements in Arab East Jerusalem, areas of the West Bank south of the city, the Jordan Valley and the occupied Golan Heights. Socalled "political" settlements in the Arab heartland of the West Bank and Gaza, would be cut off from special state

funding. Nabil Sha'ath, a PLO executive member, said: "The Palestinian delegation will walk out of the talks unless Israel states firmly and clearly that it is freezing all settlements."

Egypt summit. page 13 end of the trial".

found guilty of lying about the take-up level of the shares and of secretly buying shares to give the impression of a successful issue.

Mr Cohen, 48, Mr Reed 44, and Mr Wells, 37, all senior executives of County NatWest, the merchant banking arm of National Westminster Bank, received 18month suspended sentences. Martin Gibbs, 62, a former director of UBS Phillips and Drew, received a 12-month suspended term.

During their appeal, the defence claimed the trial was unfair because of the weight and complexity of the case and because the trial judge. Mr Justice McKinnon, limited his summing-up to one issue, telling jurors to ignore 75 per cent of the evidence.

The Crown argued that Mr Justice McKinnon kept "constant vigilance" on the manageability of the case, and his decision to limit the sum-ming-up worked to the ad-vantage of the defendants.

Lawyers yesterday described the ruling as fur-ther clear evidence of the need for reforms to deal with long trials. The Lord Chancellor's deparment is to publish proposals shortly, and a Bar Council working party will this month make recommendations on time limits, pleabargaining and more interventions by the judge.

Gareth Williams QC, the Bar chairman, said the decision underlined the need for reform. "The public is going to be deeply troubled at the enormous expenditure of public money in this trial and the strain on the defendants. which ended with no Robert Harman, partner

with the City law firm Travers Smith Braithwaite whose colleague Alan Keat had charges against him discharged midway through the trial, said: "If the prosecution has focused themselves properly on the issues from the start, it would have been over in weeks." Instead, he said, it had brought in evidence on a wide range of "irrelevant" matters that obscured the one main issue right to the "very



Clean up: workmen make a roped ascent of the statue of Christopher Columbus in Barcelona, ready to rid him of years of dirt in time for the summer Olympic Games which start later this month

#### Computer identifies Russia's royal bones

Continued from page 1 Yekaterinburg's administra-

tion, will escont a party of distinguished visitors today to a religious service in the nearby town of Alapayevsk, where the tsar's sister-in-law Elizabeta, recently canonised by the Moscow Patriarch. was thrown down a mine shaft. He clearly hopes that he will soon be presiding over the canonisation and reburial

of the main branch of the family, although arguments have already begun as to whether the final burial place should be in Yekaterinburg or St Petersburg.

The bodies were first discovered in 1979 by Aleksandr Avdonin, an amateur historian, who is now supervising the investigation. The discovery remained secret until his associate, a former policeman called Geli Ryabov, disclosed it to the weekly Moscow News a decade later.

The condition of the skeletons has broadly confirmed contemporary accounts of the killings: the victims were shot or, in the case of the princesses, bayoneted after their jewellery protected them from the builets. The bodies were taken to the countryside, burned and later doused in hydrochloric acid before being buried in a secret grave over which a flat wooden

track was later passed. It has now been established that the killings were carried out on Lenin's direct orders. The final laying to rest of Russia's last emperor may well coincide with the removal from his Red Square mausoleum of the man who Political sketch

#### Preaching to the concerted

Yesterday was our 38 per cent better remunerated MPs' final day before their 33 per cent longer summer recess, after which they come back to discuss their proposed 10 per cent reduced working

Unfortunately, only 3 per cent turned up. Among them was Lady Olga Mait-land (C, Sutton & Cheam). who came to object to hea-then teaching in schools and urge the need for Christian education — under threat, she said, from dangerous progressives.
Lord, I ascribe it to Thy

grace. And not to chance, as others That I was born of Chris-

And not a heathen or a Jew. Lady Olga, who asked where on where and glorious nineteenth century hymns" had gone, did not quote this one, late-ly removed from hymnals by dangerous progressives. Wearing, as is her habit, pearls, Lady Olga made an unlikely evangelist. One pictured her reminding Sutton Tories that it is harder for the rich to enter Heaven than for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle, but she did not mention this in her speech.

Speaking in the tongues of

women rather than of angels, a combination of sounding brass and tinkiing cymbal, she was puifed up. Charity vaunteth not itself. Olga doth.

A retired gossip colum-nist, previously famous for her "families for defence" campaign in favour of nuclear bombs, Lady Olga was supported in her call for Christian teaching by Har-ry Greenway (C. Ealing N) whose other duty was to present a petition calling for the presentation of a for the preservation of a Vulcan V bomber as "a flying work of art". Greenway, who is a grounded work of art, was joined by a new young MP, the bespectacied Dr Spink.

Spink (C. Castle Point) has the air of a gospel doorkoocker. He represents Canvey island, whose last MP, the redoubtable Sir Bernard Braine, bel-lowed his condemnation of alcohol, abortion and other sins for nearly 40 years. We must all visit Canvey island to drink deep of the sanctity which resides there. pink's contribution to yesterday's debate was to

point out that there were more Conservatives in the chamber than Labour members, the Opposition memoers, the Opposition front bench being empty. This provoked Labour's Derek Enright (Hemsworth) to complain that he was there specifically at the request of a frontbencher. Thus was Christian amity

Any doubts that the Al-mighty has a sense of hum-our were dispelled by the choice of minister to answer our three evalu Eric Forth. Mr Forth, who wears long sideburns, 200t suits and wild ties and had sunts and wild des and dad until yesterday been most famous for his colourful language and gung-ho eco-nomic libertarianism, has always kept his religious faith to himself. It is difficult to imagine Mr Forth exchanging the kiss of peace. He had the good grace, yesterday, to congratulate Lady Olga with-out conviction. He sat on the front bench, feet on table, looking as out of place as a Teddy boy dad on par-

ents' day. Lady Olga told MPs that some people these days could not even list all ten Commandments. Mr Forth shifted uneasily.

She devoted little atten-tion to the Christian message itself, but concentrated on attacking the competition. This, according to her, lay in "mish-mash" religion. multi-faith teaching, and teaching children too much about Islam. Unlike Greenway, whose speech was more sensitive, she did not seem to think there were any difficulties for teachers, here. she said, were gaining ground in our schools.

"Dangerous mind-be as "guided fantasies" were rampant. Kids (she alleged) were being encouraged by am I?". Some (she reported) had replied: "I am a brown rabbit. I am a hairy, very juicy peach."
Yes. And there are grown

ms whose guided lantasy is that they are cold-war-riors, evengelists and mem-bers of Parliament for Sutton and Cheam. And there are electors who might prefer to be repre-sented by the peach.

**MATTHEW PARRIS** 

**ACROSS** 

1 Majority of stuff in joker's come-

back gets a laugh (6).
4 I'll see New York, shortly. recollecting paths once trod (3.5). 10 Band of gold depicted on breast by anist? (9).

11 Yes, Russian tea may be found in this cottage (5). 12 I'll be in record book as a prime example (7).

13 Performances of bowler and miler have something in com-14 Had nothing new brought in to get married? (5).

15 He may scan the papers with passing interest (8). 18 Good golfer's record mentioned n introduction (8).

20 I may be put in a shift in the city 23 .... if such a processing plant appears (7).
25 Excellent "No. 5" scent almost rejected in Czech region (7).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,972 RSSEAT

26 Egg's container said to be appropriate to the festive season (5). 27 I'll try getting back a kind of profit made dishonestly (3-6).

28 Training in France, you may get note about Mistral's return (8). 29 Small island, a Scots one, almost suppresses sin (5).

I start to gulp sticky things on top of fruit .... (8).

2 .... having a portion right away 3 No, I'd interrupt a lot, sounding

very nasai (9). 5 Point improved a talk organised for dairy product (10,4). 6 Source of gold in rich vein accounts for the cabin (5).

7 A small compartment in rear portion of plane? (7). 8 Give short measure on one's sea

food? (6). Nick's heard enthusing about English printing method (5,9).

16 Bury forward has to fit in with the rest (9). 17 Modified gun inlay is rather clumsy (8).

19 The right colour for linen — it's possibly fresher (7). Don, perhaps, has taken in note for ship-builder (7).

22 Nothing's to be kept in an apartment aboard ship (6). 24 It takes a smart man to expand ocean development (5).

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By Philip Howard

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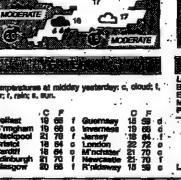


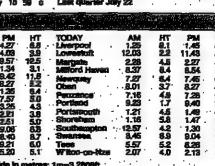
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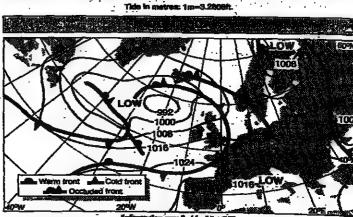
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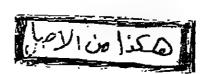
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TENSE WAIT

As the E3 billion Wellcome share issue enters a crucial stage, advisers remain confident the offer can succeed Page 23

LOOKING UP

Lloyd's of London says prospects are better than they have been for five years, with sharp rises in home and motor premiums Page 21

SAFE HOUSE?



National Home Loans. after losses of £85.9 million, hopes to persuade bondholders to allow it some breathing space

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John Willan tells that being managing director of the London Philharmonic Orchestra is a SCHOOLS DUSTINGSS

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**BUSINESS EDITOR JOHN BELL** 

## Jobless increase is the smallest for two years

BY ROSS THEMAN

INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE number of people out of work in unemployment in London and the South Britain rose by 7,000 during June, the East remains at a postwar peak and smallest rise for two years. Latest figures also nationwide, the jobless rate is 9.6 per cent. show average earnings also rose by just 6.5 Employment department officials said smallest rise for two years. Latest figures also show average earnings also rose by just 6.5 per cent during the year to May, to the smallest rise, since 1967. The figures combine to suggest that government policies to quell inflation have succeeded in restricting pay increases, and the rise in unemployment may be slowing down.

More than 2.72 million jobless people are now claiming state benefits, the highest member for five years, but the employment

number for five years, but the employment department believes the underlying rate of increase in unemployment has fallen below of people out of work fell during June. But

accurate indicators that inflation has been beaten and that recession is at last loosening its grip. Gillian Shephard, the employment

25,000 a month. In two regions, the East Midlands and the North West, the number place too much weight on one month's statistics, today's figures are encouraging."

She pointed to a 68,000 increase in service sector employment during the first quarter, revealed yesterday, and an increase in the number of vacancies at JobCentres as further encouraging signs. However, analysis of employment depart-

ment figures suggests, that the scale of increase in unemployment is being masked by a rise in the proportion of part-time jobs. At the end of the first quarter, the total workforce in Britain had fallen by 774,000. year on year, to 25.6 million. In the space of a single year, almost one full-time job in every 27 had gone. But within the total the number of employees in part-time jobs had

slipped by just 69,773, or 1 per cent, to 6.61

The unemployment rate for males has risen to 12.9 per cent, while for females it was just 5.2 per cent. In the quarter to end-March, the rise in wage costs per unit of manufacturing output slowed to 2.8 per

cent over the previous quarter. The enduring recession has continued to worsen government finances. A fall in government receipts from £15.3 billion in May to £ 13.9 billion in June helped lift the public sector borrowing requirement to 54.23 billion last month, ahead of market forecasts averaging £3.1 billion, despite privatisation proceeds of £446 million. Departmental spending rose from £17.8 billion in May to £18.1 billion in June. The

unexpectedly high government deficit in June represented a rebound from the previous month when the PSBR was somewhat smaller than expected at a revised \$3.15 billion. Over the first quarter of the financial year the PSBR grew from £7 bulion in 1991 to £10.8 billion, net of £1.9 billion privatisation proceeds.

The year-on-year increase in the quarterly PSBR is distorted by changes in the financing of local government, but the underlying weakness of tax revenue has persuaded City economists that the year's borrowing requirement will be even higher than the £28 billion forecast by the

Comment, page 23

## Bundesbank defends rate decision

FROM COLEN NARBBOUGH IN FRANKFURT

THE Bundesbank yesterday the cheapest form of bank inflation, money supply decided on an aggressive refinancing in Germany, was growth and the strong intightening of its domestic last raised on December 20 in crease in credit, as well as monetary screw, raising its discount rate by 0.75 of a percentage point to 8.75 per cent. But the German cen-tral bank shied away from measures that threatened to heighten tension within the European exchange rate

great consideration to the international consequences before reaching its decision.

He said he thought there would be no direct consequences" of the Bundesbank move for short term interest rates in Britain.
From today, the discount one vale of the Bundesbanks

Europe were relieved at the

decision by the Bundesbank to

hold back from a raise in the

key lombard rate, which had been widely feared. Sterling.

ained 1.2 pfennigs to close at

Outside Europe, the rate

rise had hardly any effect as

the mark remain unchanged

against the dollar at DM1:477. In London, sier-

ling gained just over I cent

against the dollar, closing at \$1.936. But the rise in ster-

ling, especially against the

mark, barely compensates for

the loss in the value of the

British currency over the past

few days. Sterling would have been among the hardest hit if the Bundesbank had raised

the lombard rate. Sterling

remains, however, in last place

in the table of European

Financial Punnes Exchange

reported an all-time record

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The effect of the rise in the

discount rate had few effects in

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tandem with the lombard rate, through which the banks can borrow unlimited amounts at the highest short-term rates. The lombard rate remained

trachunged at 9.75 per cent.

The December increases, which came only a week after the Maastricht treaty was. me loubard rate, a benchmark for commercial loans.

Helmut Schlesinger, the ing. given the slowing GerBundesbank president, man economy. It was also seen
emphasised that the German
central bank's 18-man policy
making council had given
great consideration to the unions to reduce inflationary pressures. Dr. Schlesinger yesterday said the excessive growth of the money supply still had to be mastered.

Despite concern about money supply growth, currently running at an annual 8.7 per cent, the council's brief com-From today, the discount munique said the Bundes-bank was sticking to its money: two key lending rates, will be raised by 4, of a point to a cent this year. The discount record 8.75 per cent. The rate, rate was intended to stem

stability in the money, govern-ment bond and the foreign

Currency analysts and econ-

omists welcomed the German

decision, but there remains

disagreement on the precise implications of the

Mark Brett, a currency strat-

egist at BZW, said that the

main implication of the rise

interest rates. He said: "The

main idea behind the move by

the Bundesbank is an attempt

change in sentiment.

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indesbank's move.

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**European markets** 

sigh with relief

By Wolfgang Münchau

foster confidence in the maintenance of a stable mark, even under the currently more difficult conditions of a united Dr Schlesinger noted that

Italy, whose currency has come under severe pressure this week, had reacted promptly to the Bundesbank

promptly to the Bundesbank move and raised its key lending rates in defence of the lira. But he sought to dismiss any suggestion that Germany was keen on a realignment of ERM currencies. "Germany is not a demandeur," he said. Before yesterday's Bundesbank session, there widesyment speculation was widespread speculation that the Germans wanted a realignment, but that it was

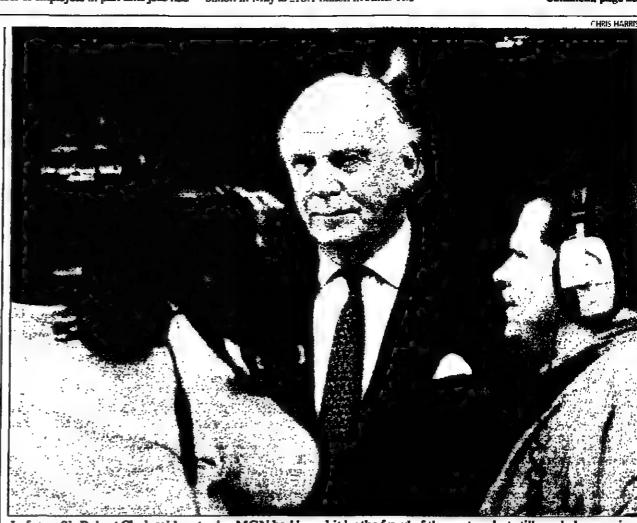
fiercely opposed by other governments, primarily France.
In response to charges that the Bundesbank was guilty of monetary overkili" that could damage Germany and the rest of Europe. Dr Schlesinger said he could see no such said he could see no such danger. Germany was not growing strongly, but was expanding all the same. Indeed, he said, lirgen Möllemann, the economics minister who attended the council session, predicted pan-German growth would reach 3 per cent in real terms in

FINANCIAL markets all over where the Banca d'Italia **1993.** Dr Schlesinger said he be-lieved the Bundesbank moves represented the "right balraised the Italian discount rate by three quarters of one percentage point to 15.25 per cent. The Italian central bank ance" between domestic and said that the move was deinternational needs. signed to assure conditions of

- Hans Tietmeyer, the Bundesbank vice-president, stressed the positive contribu-tion the Bundesbank bad made to economic convergence on Europe. Annual inflation in Germany of around 4 per cent has alarmed the Bundesbank and put Germany out of step with inflation rates seen in other major European economies. Even Britain has achieved lower was a possible delay in the timing of a cut in German

inflation this year. Herr Tietmeyer said better inflation performance elsewhere in Europe should give other countries some scope to

to get long [interest] rates up. They could not have raised The decision to raise the short-term interest rates. because by that they would have busted the ERM." discount rate only, while likely to. disappoint monetary Mr Brett said that the hardliners in Germany, came markets were still looking in analysts who have long prethe medium term for a cut in German rates, but the decidicted that the next German sion to raise the discount rate interest move would be to 8.75 per cent might cause a



In focus: Sir Robert Clark said yesterday MGN had been hit by the fraud of the century but still needed managing

#### Relisted Mirror shares expected to halve

BY ANGELA MACKAY

SHARES in Mirror Group Newspapers are expected to be relisted on the Stock Exchange today and start trading at between 50p and 60p — less than half the 125p price at which they were suspended last December.

The path to relisting was thon annual meeting, the first since Robert Maxwell died eight months ago. About 500 shareholders were told that MGN was hit by "the largest fraud perpetrated this century" when £450 million was stolen from the Maxwell pen-

Sir Robert Clark, the new chairman, faced calls for the board's resignation from trate shareholders, many of whom were also defrauded Maxwell pensioners and MGN emplovees. Sir Robert replied: You may hang who you like. but the group still has to be managed."

Shareholders at the meeting expressed disapproval of the board by voting against three cerned the passing of the accounts and the re-election of two directors, Roger Eastoe and Bernard Tominey, But the resolutions were later passed after a poll showed that more than 99 per cent of

shareholders were in favour. While the chairman spoke positively about the trading future of the group, which publishes the Daily Mirror. The People, Sunday Mirror, The Sporting Life, the Daily Record and the Sunday Mail

he confirmed that dividends would not be paid before 1994 and predicted that "the bulk of the misappropriated assets will prove to be irrecoverable"

despite pending lingation. Sir Robert also ruled out a rights issue to raise more capital for the company, which is working under tight cash controls since being refi-nanced last month. MGN unveiled losses of almost £390 million last year after providing £421 million for extraordinary losses related to the fraud. Alan Clements, deputy

chairman, said the pension

fund deficit stood at £193 million yesterday and the company planned to refund this over the next 14 years. For the next three years, £9 million will be paid in annually.

Sir Robert said the board was conducting an internal investigation into the actions of two senior executives. Alan Stephens, the company secretary and Robert Gregory, the director of human resources. The enquiry relates to their decision to transfer their pensions from an MGN fund to a Maxwell Communications Corporation fund before the

fraud had been exposed. Both are still on the MGN payroll, though Mr Stephens has been suspended from duties during

the enquiry. Sir Robert said the administrator of the Maxwell private companies, who controlled 54 per cent of MGN, would decide who would be the group's new owner. However, John Talbot, the administrator from Arthur Andersen, has said he and MGN's banks were in no rush to sell.

Silent majority, page 2

#### Peter Riddell, page 14 Comment, page 23 Director of Neddy changes horses

By Ross Tieman

FOR Dr Walter Eltis, director general of the National Economic Development Office for the past four years, events could scarcely have turned out better. When the office closes for the last time on December 31, he will simply pack up the contents of his desk drawers and send them round to the Department of Trade and Industry.

There, as chief economic adviser to Michael Heseltine, President of the Board of Trade, he might find his influence much increased His appointment, announced yesterday, is seen by "Netdy". insiders as an affirmation by Mr Heseltine that the body had much to recommend it. There has not been a chief economic adviser at the trade



Eltis: more influence

will help to get Mr Heseltine's planned new competitiveness division off to a running start. Dr Eltis, who will continue to earn £80,600 a year as a Grade la civil servant, said he was delighted department for years. Dr Eltis at the opportunity, but sad for

Neddy's 100 staff, most of long "tail" that lags behind.
whom will be made He has some pet projects up
redundant. his sleeve, and since he insbruften.

À former economics fellow and tutor at Exeter College, Oxford, he is likely to enjoy increased esteem. Nedo. Britain's only economic forum involving government, industry and trade unions, was treated with disdain by ministers in the Thatcher years.

"Some of the studies we wanted to do at Neddy would have had a price-tag of £500,000," Dr Eltis said. "If the president wanted to do them, perhaps the funds might be available.

Both Mr Heseltine and Dr Enis believe competitiveness is the fundamental question to be addressed by British industry. According to Dr Elris, the best of British companies are up with international leaders, but there is a

assumes his new role, parttime, with immediate effect, it might not be long before the DTI's competiveness unit commissions its first studies.

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#### **NHL looks** for room to breathe

NATIONAL Home Loans. the stricken mortgage lender, has crashed to a loss of £85.9 million in the half-year to June 30 after announcing massive bad debts and reorganisation

The company is struggling for survival and is being supported by its bankers, who last month agreed to extend its main £540 million loan until 1995. NHL is also trying to persuade the holders of its 160 million bonds to allow it

some breathing space.
Jonathan Perry, the new chairman, said he was confident that he would pull the group through. "Even in this rough market, we are begin-

#### Shares in Chequers suspended

SHARES in Chequers Group, the pub and hotel refurbisher formerly known as Dean & Bowes Group, were suspended at 4p yesterday "pending clarification of its financial position" as the company started legal proceedings against the former chairman and chief executive (Martin

Chequers yesterday said it had issued writs against Stephen Dean, one of the group's founders. They allege that a payment of £200,000 gross taken as severance pay after his resignation in February should have been put to share. should have been put to share. holders, and that Mr Dean failed to complete a £300,000

Mr Dean denied the claim that the pay-off should have gone through a shareholders' meeting, saying that it was approved by the board. He said he rescinded the contract to buy a business as provided for in the contract of sale after material facts became known about its finances before completion.

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ning to reduce arrears," he said. "It is tough but the market will get better and then I hope to persuade a partner to

join us."

NHL was first hit with liquidity and bad debt problems last summer. Since then, it has axed a fifth of its staff and reduced its assets by 30 per cent, to £1.7 billion. It has also agreed to wind down National Mortgage Bank (NMB), its consumer and business lending subsidiary, and surrender its banking licence. The latest losses have cut the group's capital by almost two-thirds to £75.3 million, leaving it little room for further provisions without becoming insolvent. The figures released yester-

day showed income in the half year down 57 per cent. owing to a rise in the cost of borrowing and a fall in commission income. The main damage was done, however, by bad debt provisions of £79.4 million, up by £63.1 million. Most of the provisions came from NMB, which was hit by a flood of defaults in consumer and business loans, costing the group £52 million. Mr Perry said he did not expect further losses.

The other losses were caused by the group's core mortgage business. NHL has provided £20 million against interest on mortgages in arrears, and the rest against repossessions. NHL still manages 62,000 loans. Of these, 7,500 are more than three months in arrears, while the company has repossessed 1,800 homes

and is selling off 250 a month. Elsewhere the group suf-fered a £19 million fall in interest income owing to the rise in the cost of its bank borrowing.

NHL's banks have been granted potentially lucrative success fees if NHL survives. NHL's shares are trading at 2.25p and analysis say they are still expensive.

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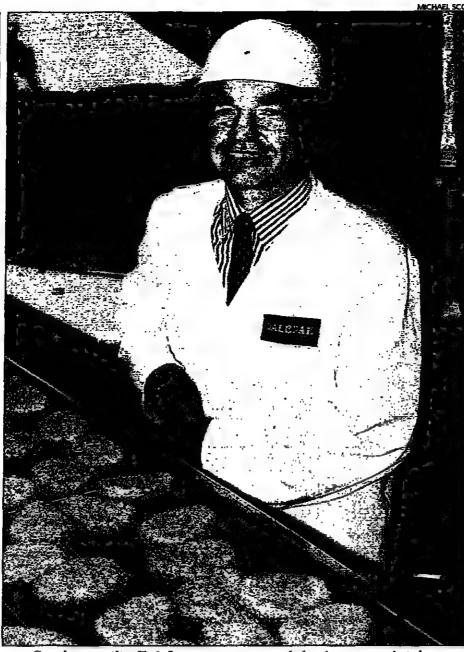
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Growing appetite: Chris Ivory sees more growth despite poor market signs

#### Dalepak beefs up profits and sales

By COLIN CAMPBELL

DALEPAK Foods, the North Yorkshire frozen foods producer, increased profits in the year ended April 25, but says the market place shows no

signs of recovery.

Pre-tax profits were £3.93
million (£3.02 million) on turnover of £40.6 million (£40.7 million). Sales increased 8 per cent, adjusted for discontinued businesses. Chris Ivory, chief executive, said yesterday that the group

had been involved in prelimi-

nary takeover talks with unnamed parties earlier this vear after Jonathan Ropner, the founder chairman, said he wanted to retire. The talks came to nothing and later Mr Rooner and two other significant shareholders sold 1.5 million shares, equivalent to 13 per cent of the company, to institutional shareholders. The parties or their families own 25 per cent of the group.

Vegetable products sales

rose 14 per cent to £17.4

million, meat products held at £15.8 million. Ready meals, at £2.8 million; and Fawcetts Foods, at £3.5 million, had a record year. Gearing was 23 per cent, compared with 38 per cent last time. Capital expenditure was £3.5 million (£1.7 million) and was expected to be £4 million this year, Mr Ivory said.

Dalepak is confident of further progress this year. The final dividend is 4.5p (3.8p) a share, making 6p (5p). The shares rose 10p to 338p.

THE Court of Appeal will give

in-the-£1 settlement deal sanc-

tioned by the High Court last

The creditors, led by Dr Adil Elias, chairman of the BCCI

Depositors' Protection Associ-

ation, challenged the decision of Vice-Chancellor Sir Donald

Nicholls to approve proposals negotiated by Touche Ross, the bank's UK liquidators,

with the Abu Dhabi govern-

ment, BCCI's majority share-

The proposals, which offer a return of between 30p and 40p in the £1 and involve the

injection of £830 million by

Abu Dhabi, have been op-

posed by creditors as inade-quate. Despite a 7-1 vote for

rejection by the BCCI's credi-

tors committee and calls for

further negotiations with Abu

Patten: faces petition

investigations by the competition

Appeal Court to rule

on BCCI objections

By A Correspondent

#### Ford curbs production of Escort as sales dip

BY A CORRESPONDENT

FORD is to cut production of its top-selling vehicle for a month because of the depres-sion in UK sales, it was announced yesterday.
The night shift at the Halewood plant on Merseyside will be axed for four weeks

after the summer shutdown, losing production of around The top-selling Escort and the Orion models are produced at Halewood, Messey-

side, which closes for three weeks on July 24 for its annual summer shutdown. When the 8,000 workers

return on August 17 only the day shift will produce cars for a period of a month. Two-shift operation will re-

sume on a four-day week, instead of five days, for a further two weeks before production returns to normal. Ford said no more than 2,000 workers will be laid off

at any one time, and all will receive normal pay. The move came as a direct response to the continuing depression in the British passenger car market, the com-

pany said. Ford added: "The anticipated recovery in car sales in the second half of the year now looks unlikely to lift the market much above the 1991 level of 1.59 million cars.

While Escort remains the UK's best-selling car, the ab-sence of growth in the overall market has made production cutbacks inevitable.

"Although Halewood has been successfully operating an export programme since the beginning of the year, demand from continental markets has not increased sufficiently to offset the contin-

sunderthy to onset the continuing stump in UK sales," a Ford spokesman said.

Jimmy Airlie, chief Ford negotiator for the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union said: "Car sales are a barometer of the state of the economy and Ford workers are feeling the cold wind of recession.

The announcement proves that the government's claim of an improving economy is

Dhabi, Sir Donald ruled that

on whether the liquidators can go ahead is expected from a

Luxembourg court next

In their appeal, which lasted four days. Dr Elias and his fellow creditors said that the

wishes of the majority of

creditors should have been

taken as paramount and that Sir Donald was wrong to

substitute his own commercial

judgment on the deal Lord

Justice Dillon, sitting with Lords Justices Russell and

Farquharson, said the court would give its decision at 2pm

supported in the appeal by The Trustees of Film and

Photo Design Pension Fund, Faisal Islamic Bank of Egypt

and nine creditors based in

Managers of the Bank of

Credit and Commerce Hong

Kong, under liquidation since it was closed down a year ago, disclosed a scheme that could

repay 85 per cent of its creditors in full.

lf the proposals are approved all small creditors.

mostly depositors owed HK\$100,000 (£6,756) or less.

would have priority to be repaid in full Large depositors

and the government wel-

comed the move. Small depositors were still angry. They plan to petition Chris Patten.

Hong Kong's governor.

Jordan.

Dr Elias, who says he is a creditor for £1 million, is

Monday.

#### **Royal Ordnance joins** forces with Alvis

ALVIS and Royal Ordnance have announced that they are joining forces to bid for the £2 billion-plus contract for the Army's new family of armoured vehicles. The vehicles will replace the aging Scorpion and Fox, which played viral roles during the Gulf war. Two versions of the new Tracer vehicle are planned — the scout will be used for armoured reconnaissance, while the utility version will have a wide represent and receive and range of roles such as ambulance, command, and repair and

Alvis, of Coventry, has provided the Army with its armoured reconnaissance vehicles for the past 35 years, while RO, a subsidiary of British Aerospace, has wide experience in weapon systems, engineering and specialised materials. Initial study contracts will be placed next year.

I Racal Radar Defence Systems has won a £30 million contract to supply its Orange Reaper electronic support measures system for the Royal Naw's new Merlin helicopter.

#### Reed sees late upturn

SHAREHOLDERS in Reed International, the publishing group, will have to wait until the second half of the financial year, ending in March, to see an upturn in profits. Peter Davis, the chairman, told the annual meeting that the trend Davis, the chairman, told the animal meeting that the frend in recent years for more profitable winter months would be exacerbated by recent acquisitions. He said: "Our internal budgets have assumed a similar level of profit in the first half with the expectation of an increase occurring in the second half." He said Reed was in a strong position and interest payments were covered nearly seven times by profits. There had been some improvement in American trading conditions but little or no wickern in the LIK. but little or no pick-up in the UK.

#### Ranger Oil expands

RANGER Oil, which is based in Alberta and has extensive RANGER Oil, which is based in Alberta and has extensive interests in the North Sea, has agreed with Mutual Life Assurance of Canada to buy the oil and gas interests of MLC Oil and Gas for C\$68.3 million (£29.7 million). The acquisition will increase Ranger's Canadian reserves by 85 per cent for oil and natural gas liquids and 33 per cent for natural gas, adding C\$14 million to annual funds generated in Canada. Ranger's Canadian production will rise to 4,900 barrels of oil a day and 84 million cu ft of gas a day. The acquisition also includes exploratory land.

#### **British Ports dips 24p**

SHARES in Associated British Ports Holdings dipped 24p to 322p after Sir Keith Stuart, the chairman, said that the company expected to write down its property portfolio by about £10 million in September, when publishing its interim results, to about £117 million. The warning accompanied news that ABPH's Grosvenor Square Properties Group subsidiary had let the whole of its 70,000 sq ft Greenwood House office development at Bracknett. Berishing, to Novell House office development at Brackneil, Berishire, to Novell (UK), part of the Utah-based software company, Novell Inc.

#### Quality seeks listing

QUALITY Care Homes, the North East nursing care group founded by Duncan and Gall Bannsiyne, the husband and wife team, confirmed it is raising £4 million of new money and seeking a full listing. The 3.6 million shares offered, representing 27.2 per cent of the enlarged equity, were placed at 136p, indicating a 12.6 earnings multiple on forecast profits of £1.75 million for the year ending next October. The prospective dividend yield is 3.9 per cent. At the placing price, OCH is valued at £18 million. OCH is valued at £18 million.

#### Brasway profits double

BRASWAY, the West Midlands engineer, doubled pre-tax profits to £1.25 million (£513,000) in the year to May 2. profits to £1.25 million (£513,000) in the year to May 2. Gains were boosted by increased operating profits and lower interest costs. Earnings per share were 1.15p (0.53p), A final dividend of 0.34p (0.27p) a share makes 0.58p (0.51p) for the year. Reg Swaby, chairman, said cost reduction programmes were taking effect at the company which has been severely affected by the recession. Brasway reported pretax profits of £2.71 million in 1989.

#### Cray moves to suspend

CRAY Electronics, the high technology group chaired by Sir Peter Michael, the former UEI head, has requested the suspension of its shares at 75p ahead of today's full-year figures and a probable \$50 million acquisition. Cray Electronics is expected to announce the purchase of the former Dowly information technology business, acquired along with the rest of Dowly by TI Group after a bid battle earlier this year.

#### **Druck Holdings loses** steam in second half

BY RODNEY HOBSON

ing devices, ran out of steam in the second half of its financial year to March. Although anmual pre-tax profits rose to \$4.7 million from £4.4 million pre-viously, the improvement had already been achieved at the

interim stage.

The shares fell 35p to 960p.

The final dividend of 6p makes 9.4p, up 7 per cent.
John Salmon, the chairman, said: "After a good first half, orders in the second six months slowed down and our forward order book shows a slight decrease. The US, Germany and Scandinavia contimued to make progress although the European reces-

DRUCK Holdings, the maker sion marginally affected order of electronic pressure measur- levels from France, Italy and The Netherlands." Druck intends to concen-

trate on Asian markets after a strong showing in China, Singapore and Taiwan. The Gulf states and Australia also fared well and exports now account for 68 per cent of

Mr Salmon said: "Although the current year has started relatively slowly due to the uncertain economic scene worldwide, the longer term looks assured. I am confident that with our new products, new applications and new markets, we will continue to make positive progress in the

#### the deal was the "best option" for BCCI's 140,000 creditors judgment today on an attempt by a group of creditors of the collapsed Bank of Credit and in about 70 countries. The Commerce International to agreement has since been approved by a court in Grand Cayman and the final decision renew objections to the 30p-

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Takeover panel takes softer approach By Graham Searjeant FINANCIAL EDITOR THE takeover panel is to amend its code of practice for City takeovers to allow more flexibility when there is a delay in

The panel has already become more flexible in allowing extensions to its fixed-bid timetables, against the wishes of target companies, where the Office of Fair Trading takes longer than expected to decide whether to recommend a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Bids automatically lapse if they are referred. The proposed change could also accommodateunknowneffectsofveningof big international bids by the European

Commission. In its annual report for the year to end-March, giving detailed accounts for the first time, the panel reveals that it made an unexpectedly large profit of £2.3 million. Its income nearly trebled over the year to £6.4 million. thanks to fee increases on contract notes and takeover documents, levied to counter

the previous year's £1.5 million deficit Costs, by contrast, were cut by 10 per cent. Frances Heaton, who took over as director general in the spring, reports that charges will be monitored to keep income

broadly in line with spending.

Takeover activity remained subdued.

In 1991-2, 139 formal takeover offers were made, up from 130. Two thirds were agreed by the target company's board in advance and only 22 failed.

including those subject to competing Mrs Heaton reports that the panel has agreed new private arrangements in monitor dealings in shares of companies involved in takeover bids. Stock exchange market-makers have agreed to disclose their book holdings in agreement of their book holdings in agreement of their book holdings in agreement of their book holdings in agreement. their book holdings in connected com-panies at the start of an offer period. Under a separate agreement with the

Money Brokers' Association, details of stock lending transactions will also be available to the panels market surveillance unit. In neither case will the information be published. The panel says it does not expect proposals for a European Community takeover directive to receive a high priority under Britain's EC presidency.

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## Lloyd's looks forward to better times

BY JON ASHWORTH

PROSPECTS at Lloyd's of London are better than they have been for five years, hecause of rising premiums and a more selective approach to business. But the professionals who work in the insurance market expect a long battle to attract new names.

Sharp increases in home and motor premiums point to a general hardening of UK insurance rates. The cost of some home policies has increased by half in the past eight months. Motor premiums have risen by the control of ums have risen by an average of 35 per cent this year.

The latest quarterly survey of trends in the Lloyd's market shows that increases in premium income and rates are likely to continue over the next three months. Nearly 80 per cent of a sample of key underwriters

#### AB seeks buyer for subsidiary

pands

AB Electronic Products, the Glamorgan. South Wales components manufacturer in which TT Group last week took a 6 per cent stake, has said that it is seeking a buyer for its British automotive elefor its British automotive elec-

tronic systems business. The company also gave a warning that exceptional charges in the second half to end June would be greater than the £1.05 million in the first half, and that a loss is expected for the full year although borrowings have been reduced. AB shares retreated 3p to 78p.

#### Jones, Stroud edges ahead

Jones, Stroud Holdings, the Nottingham textiles and electrical accessories group, re-ported pre-tax profits of 54.8 million (£4.5 million) in the year to end-March. Tilliabier rose to £65.4 million £50.4 million). Factory closure expenses of £609,000 and higher interest costs held profits back. Earnings per share were 18.05p (16.42p). A main-tained final dividend of 5p a share makes 8p, unchanged.

#### Kewill down

Kewill Systems, the computer saw pre-tax profits fall 35 per cent to £2.4 million in the year to end-March. Earnings were 19.9p (31.2p). There is no dividend (5p). Kewill is proposing to raise 2.7 million through a subscription. In January, Kewill issued a profits warning because of difficulties with Weigang, its German software supplier and distributor. The shares rose 9p to 110p

#### Hampson slips

Hampson Industries, the West Midlands industrial group, saw pre-tax profits slip to £4.06 million (£5.04 million) in the year to end-March on turnover of £73.2 million (£78.5 million). Barnings were 3.62p (4.7p). An unchanged final dividend of 1.733p a share makes 2.373p, unchanged.

#### Norbain up

Norbain Electronics, the distributor of closed circuit television and access control equipment, increased pre-tax profits 11 per cent to £502,000 in the year to end-April. Earnings per share were 4.95p (4.1p). There is a dividend of 1p (0.7p). reported hardening rates, and 70 per cent noted rises in premium mcome.

Stephen Merrett, chairman of the Lloyd's Underwriters Association, said in a briefing Association, said in a briefing on' prospects that a more selective approach by underwriters would help to restore confidence in Lloyd's.

Mainline syndicates were recording significantly higher profits for the 1992 account than they had done for saveral

than they had done for several years and an important redis-tribution of business was tak-ing place. Underwriters who previously had declined business owing to unattractive terms and conditions were taking a new look as the price and range of business im-proved. There are signs that some types of business are returning to London.

It is unlikely that Lloyd's names will again be exposed to losses on the scale of those triggered by disasters such as Hurricane Hugo and Piper Alpha. The exposure of Alpha. The exposure of Lloyd's to catastrophe claims has been significantly reduced, limiting the risk of a repeat of the disastrous losses of 1988 and 1989. Customers are taking out less cover and there is a smaller redistribution of claims within Lloyd's.

George Lloyd-Roberts, chairman of the Lloyd's Underwriters Non-Marine Association, said the number of syndicates would continue to decline as managing agents turned to the best performers. The number of syndicates has fallen from 400 to 275 since

Mr Lloyd-Roberts said underwriters were experiencing far more choice of business favourable terms and conditions. Those people still around are seeing more busi-ness. We are seeing the best market conditions in four or five years."

five years."

Andrew Duguid, head of market services at Lloyd's, said 6,000 names had increased their underwriting exposure for the forthcoming year. Some names who had resigned had changed their inside, but it would take time to cast large numbers of near to coax large numbers of new members into the market.



Prospect of relief: David Coleridge, chairman, has presided over horrendous losses for names, but insurance rates are hardening

#### Wellcome picks Schroders to advise on investments

BY MARTIN WALLER equities on the London market

This will allow institutions

to raise cash ahead of the

public offer that closes next

week. The shares will bought

price on July 24, the expected

closing date of the institutional

Cash raised through the

facility does not have to be

used to buy Wellcome shares.

said Simon de Zoete at BZW

Securities. "It will be attrac-

tively priced relative to what

they could do at this moment,

based on the market spread."

The special dealing facility is aimed at building up the fund's portfolio and is not designed to enhance the pros-

pects of the share sale. But as

the settlement date for any

deals and for the offer is the

part of the offer.

THE Wellcome Trust, seller of 330 million shares in Wellcome, the pharmaceuticals group, has appointed J Henry Schroder Wagg to ad-vise on future investments.

The trust will raise £3 billion from the sale and says this will be reinvested to provide a higher income than would have been available from the Wellcome shares. Schroder Investment Management will be the overall manager of the sale proceeds.

Part of these will form a UK equity-indexed fund of more than £500 million, to be managed by BZW Investment Management. An affiliate of that company, Barciays de Zoete Wedd Securities, the broker, is offering a so-called "sunshine trading" scheme, a special dealing facility under which it will agree to buy 450 institutions the option of re-arranging their portfolios and effectively swapping the shares to be sold for Wellcome shares.

Advisers to the offer, which closes next week, are playing down the implications of re-cent issues that have flopped. It is accepted, however, that on behalf of the new fund at a price related to the market the retail tranche, worth £180 million, is unlikely to be an overwhelming success. The Wellcome camp said yesterday that indications of demand were encouraging.

Advisers point to the relative stability of the share price. down 1p at 877p yesterday.

The American roadshows end today. Response is believed to have been favourable though not overwhelming, with non-binding offers in already for more than half the 80 million shares on offer.

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#### **Owners Abroad cuts** 100,000 holidays

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

OWNERS Abroad Group, the package tour operator, says it has already cut more than 100,000 holidays from its summer programme, and that the cost-cutting exercise is not

Howard Klein, chairman. yesterday announced a first-half pre-tax loss of £27.2 million for the six months ended April 30, compared with a previous first-half loss of £21.4 million. First-half losses are not unusual in leisure companies as they invariably show profits in the second half.

The interim dividend rises from 0.9075p to 0.98p a share, but the shares — which have already fallen from a 12month high of 121p seen in March — eased a further 3p to 63p each yesterday.

Mr Klein said it was impossible to give any meaningful

for the full year. The group, however, has cash resources in excess of £100 million and expects to remain cash positive for the foreseeable future.

The recent spate of discounting has encouraged a return to late booking, he said.

"However, I do not believe that this marks a return to the price wars of the past," he said. Discounting, he added, was a result of overcapacity caused by the dull economic conditions and the industry's attempts to fill the gap created by last year's collapse of Inter-

national Leisure Group. Owners Abroad said that although summer 1992 holiday bookings showed an encouraging trend up to the early part of the year, demand had slackened in the run-up to the general election and has not fully recovered.

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COMPUTER DEAL

THEOTS MISSING?

#### Great Universal delivers increase

By MICHAEL TATE CTTY EDITOR

GREAT Universal Stores, the group ranging from Kays. Marshall Ward and John England, the mail order companies, to Burberrys and Scotch House, the retailers, raised pre-tax profits from £438.6 million to £459.2 million in the year to end-March.

Property disposal profits were virtually unchanged at £12.1 million. Shareholders will receive a 27.25p final dividend, giving a total of 40p a share for the year (37.5p). Earnings per share, ignoring E5.6 million of exceptional profits, are 122.5p (116.3p).

Lord Wolfson, the chairman, said there were signs of improvement in the early months of the new financial year, but predicted that it would take "some time for a sound and sustainable recovery to take effect". Profits for the first two months were slightly ahead of the comparable period last year.

Richard Pugh, chairman, would not comment on suggestions that the board might break up the group into constituent parts as a way to solve a perceived management succession difficulty. A property revaluation has created a 2 per cent deficit on book values, at £690.3 million. The virtually ungeared group balance sheet has shareholders' funds of £3.04 billion, or £12.33 a share. Cash totals £590 million.

Home shopping, where GUS has 38 per cent of the UK market, lifted profits £10 million, or 5.7 per cent, to £195.5 million. The group's four European companies had satisfactory results, but it is prepared for a tough two years

in continental Europe. Burberrys and House recovered in the second half after suffering from the Gulf War and its effects on tourism. Profits were £3.2 million lower at £32.3 million.

Financial services contributed £30.7 million (£32.6 million), reflecting the group's more cautious lending policy. Property rental yielded a same-again £13.7 million. On the stock market GUS 'A' shares 43p to 1448p.

#### WPP group to drive Jaguar advertising

WPP, among the world's largest but financially troubled advertising agencies, staged a reversal in fortunes yesterday when Charlotte Beers, the head of its American operations, announced that the

group had won the \$20 million Jaguar account.

Ms Beers, 56, thought to be the highest paid female executive in advertising and an owner of two Jaguars herself, became chairman and chief executive of Ogilvy & Mather Worldwide, WPP's American division, three months ago. Sales of the British carmaker,



PEEL Holdings, the property

which was bought by Ford three years ago for \$2.5 billion, have halved in seven years to just over 11,000, some of that due to recession. But Jaguar's new policy to lease cars boosted sales by Net asset value at end-

about 10 per cent in the first six months to 4,809. Cynics in New York say the awarding of the Jaguar ac-count to O&M Worldwide was a foregone conclusion. The agency already handles advertising for Ford. Jaguar has come under market pressure in recent years with the entry of the Japanese into the luxury car market. The rush to select

by the impending arrival of a 1993 Jaguar model. Jaguar says it is too early to disclose details of the new campaign, which will start in September, but Michael Dale, president of the car group, said more emphasis would be placed on reliability. WPP was awarded the contract two weeks before all six agencies shortlisted for the job were due to give their closing pre-

an agency was caused partly

The Jaguar contract helps balance several defections from WPP by accounts said to be worth \$70 million. Those included that of American

#### poor trend in property

March stood at 306p a share (289p) and the group has returned to profit after a net £27.4 million loss in its 1991 financial year, John Whittaker, the chairman, reported a net profit of £8.86 million for the year ended March and said a strong performance by Manchester Ship and strong rental income helped.

The maintained final dividend is 2p, making an unchanged 3p a share payment for the year. The gearing ratio is 110.7 per cent (132.7 per

## **Peel bucks**

group that has bought more shares in the Manchester Ship Canal Company and owns 71.6 per cent, has bucked the trend in a depressed market.

cent). Mr Whittaker said the weighting of Peel's portfolio and geographical spread had been major factors in upholding the property values in difficult conditions. The group had only a small exposure to offices in London and the South East, where the sharpest falls had occurred, and 38 per cent of assets already lay in out-of-town retail or town centre shops around the country, which should be benefit early from economic recovery. "Conditions in the property market are difficult," he said.

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#### Parcelforce rivals wait for BoT package

By Rodney Hobson

TNT, the Australian-owned group, says: We will carefully study the details when they are announced and evaluate them." Chris King, marketing director at DHL comments: "We will not consider

buying at least until we understand what is really on offer." Kevin Appleton, at Lynx, also says that his company is not considering a bid at this stage.

Pat Howes, chief executive of
Securicor Omega Express, agrees: "Until

not, it is too early to say if we would be interested in making a bid."

He points out that about a quarter of

to be privatised?" Rival carriers who have long camequal terms joined to welcome the proposal to privatise the service. Parcelforce has captured the market among small businesses which are not

all face in the private sector."

show that they can stand on their own

privatised along with the railways.

A MANAGEMENT buyout looks the best bet for Parcelforce, the Post Office parcel delivery service that is to be privatised. Rivals were yesterday distancing themselves from making a bid, at least until Michael Heseltine, President of the Board of Trade, clarifies his

proposals. Other carriers are more interested in pouncing on customers of Parcelforce once it has lost its competitive advantages of being exempt from VAT and being subsidised by the letter post.

United Parcels Service, the international distribution group based in Georgia, America, has come out most strongly against making a bid. UPS has a strategy of setting up a stable domestic parcels operation in European countries, although it bought Carryfast, a profitable UK operation, two weeks ago.

It says: "We have pretty much done with our shopping in the UK." Ryder also says it is not interested.

Alan Jones, UK managing director of

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Parcelforce's trade is accepted over the country's 2,000 post office counters and asks: "Is that part of the business going

paigned for Parcelforce to compete on

registered for VAT and cannot claim back the 174 per cent imposition on private sector carriers. Mr Jones says: "I'm sure Parcelforce will benefit from the disciplines that we

Mr Howes sums up the feeling of the private sector when he says: "We have always recorded a trading profit and have never depended on our parent company to support us financially through difficult times. In a free market. I think it is important that all companies

The privatisation of Parcelforce will be closely watched at Red Star, the British Rail parcel service that could be

#### AT&T overcomes sluggish economy

FROM REUTER

AMERICAN Telephone & Telegraph Co has posted second-quarter operating income of \$1.52 billion, a 4.5 per cent increase over last year's figure. Robert Allen, the chairman,

said: "We continued to show growth in a still-sluggish economy. Equipment sales are not what we would like, but they tend to lag economic upturns. We still expect sales of our products to improve later in

AT&T reported secondquarter net income of \$961 million, or 72 cents per share, compared with \$928 million or 72 cents per share, a year earlier. The 1991 secondquarter earnings included a special gain of 7 cents per

AT&T said second-quarter operating income for its NCR unit was \$98 million, up from \$46 million in the first quarter, when the unit merged with Teradata Corp. AT&T said current NCR figures were not comparable to 1991, since NCR results now included AT&T's former computer business, Teradata and sales

to other AT&T units. AT&T's total revenues for the second quarter were \$15.85 billion, against \$15.72 billion a year earlier.

Overall products and systems revenues declined 5 per cent from a year ago to \$3.84 billion, while telecommunications services revenues rose 2.2 per cent to \$9.85 billion.

AT&T said revenues for rentals and other services declined 1.1 per cent in the second quarter from a year earlier, to \$1.73 billion, while its financial services unit revenues jumped 43 per cent, to \$425 million from \$298 million in the previous year.

In its telecommunications business, AT&T said gains in business services, especially toll-free and WATS-type calling, led growth in long-distance volume and revenue. Residential and internation-

al services "saw healthy, but lesser, gains," the company TEMPUS

## Home shoppers keep GUS going

SOME things never seem to change, and among them, up to now, has been Great Universal Stores. Not for the Wolfson family, whose home shopping catalogues have dominated the United Kingdom's mail order market since the war, and whose Burberrys and Scotch House retail arms cater for the most traditional of British clothing habits, any concession to changes in City convention.

Indeed, the GUS image of corporate paternalism has changed rather less over the past 45 years than has a Burberrys raincoat. Unaltered, too, has been its resolute resistance to the abolition of its outmoded, two-tier equity capital structure.

But, fortunately, neither will GUS surrender perhaps its most endearing trait of all, to its shareholders, an ability to go on growing profits whatever the economic cli-mate. The label most commonly attached to the stock may be defensive, but the tag born proudly by the trading record is indestructible.

At £459.2 million, 4.7 per cent up on last time, pre-tax profits were even better than the City had guessed, al-though it was always recognised that mail order was holding up better in the recession than the high street. Rationalisation measures introduced after the last postal strike are still working through to profit margins, which actually shaded higher over the period.

Profits from financial services were down, reflecting a tougher leading policy, but this also slowed the pace of the growth in bad debts. Burberry's benefited in the second half from the cold winter.

Earnings per share edged ahead from 116.3p to 122.5p after stripping out property profits, valuing the shares at less than 12 years' historic earnings. It would be rash to forecast anything other than another inch forward this year, but the shares are increasingly likely to attract speculative interest as the question of the management succession and some of the drastic remedies now being proposed are digested.



Looking at the holiday market: Howard Klein, chairman of Owners Abroad

The preliminary figures do include a property revaluation showing a 2 per cent reduction on the prvevious year, and the board was, unusually, prepared to divulge the size of its cash pile, £590 million against £474 million. If the market is being softened up for some spectacular shake-up as GUS approaches its half-century, the A shares, at £11.48, look

#### Owners Abroad

OWNERS Abroad wishes that the press would go away and bury the "scare stories" about over-capacity in the leisure market in the sand.

The company's share price was performing well in the euphoria of April's general election, since when it has fallen off a cliff. From about 110p in April, it fell to 66p last week, and yesterday was another 3p weaker at 63p.

First-half losses are traditional at holiday groups, because of the seasonal nature of costs and bookings. So months ended April 30, at £27.2 million loss compared with a pre-tax loss of £21.4 million previously, was no real surprise. The higher loss reflects growth of the group's charter airlîne, Air 2000.

The general economic un certainty, compounded by hesitancy among a holiday ing public that senses discounting is not over yet, made it a tough first half. Such background conditions continue, and will make it an uncertain second half too. But in the long term. Owners Abroad is a survivor, the group is cash positive, and has a new enlarged £120 million bonding facility. Howard Klein, the chair-

man, said 100,000 holidays were withdrawn from the summer programme, and believes that there still too many

THE new management at National Home Loans may be struggling to rescue the company, but the stock market

holidays in the system. But with an eye to the competition, he is reluctant to say how he thinks the remaining months of the year to end-October will develop. Meanwhile, the group continues to chip away at its cost base.

Traditionally, the higher the first-balf loss, the higher the year-end profit. And analysts are content to stick with profit forecasts of £33.5 million for the year, against £31.6 million. The interim dividend is nudged forward from 0.9075p to 0.98p a share. A rating of 5.3 times prospective earnings superficially looks appealing, but until the industry climate is healthier, buying should be deferred.

#### National **Home Loans**

#### ate. The shares have plummeted from 130p to 2.25p in the past year, and even the preference shares are trading at just 5p. The odds on NHL's survival are finely balanced. On the positive side, the

group has won the support of its hanks. They have agreed, at a price, to extend the group's main £540 million loan until the end of 1995. which gives the group some stability. Holders of NHL's £160 million bond issues are likely to agree to a similar extension in the next few weeks. The banks, in particuer, have a strong interest in NHL's survival since they stand to earn generous suc-

Jonathan Perry, NHL's chairman, is making all the right moves to nurse the ompany to health.

The group has also taken prompt action to close the National Mortgage Bank, which was creating most of the had-debt provisions and the losses. The bank made a book in the half year, the main factor in the group's pre-tax loss of £85.9 million. This should be the last time NMB makes a material impact on

the group's profits.

NHL still has a solid core home loans business. This looks after 62,000 mortgage borrowers and more than 50,000 of these are still reasonably good customers. The numbers of arrears of more than three months have fallen by 10 per cent from their peak in February, which suggests that, given time, the business

The trouble is that NHL does not have much time. The group's capital has fallen from £217 million to £75 million in the past year. Unless the rate of provisions falls significantly, the group has 18 months before it hits

the buffers. Even now, the ordinary share capital has been wiped out, and there is only 76p for every £1 preference share. NHL's penny shares might attract high-risk gamblers looking for a recovery play, but should not interest any-

#### **Hong Kong reaches** peak despite selling

Hong Kong - Prices closed at a record but gains were a record but gams were trimmed by heavy selling in the afternoon, triggered by an apparent lack of progress on the funding for Hong Kong's new airport. The Hang Seng index ended 37.07 points higher at 6,162.53, surpassing the progress record close of ing the previous record close of 6,134.75, reached on July 1. But the finish was well below the daytime high of 6,239.67 reached in the morning. Francis Wong, vice-president of DBS Securities, said: "The

market is very choppy."

A Chinese-British meeting was held yesterday to discuss airport funding. Both sides agreed to hold another meetmg as soon as possible to discuss airport financing plans further. The market reacted to the lack of accord by heavily across the board

The all-ordinaries index ended 10.58 points firmer at 3,335.79. Turnover improved

to HK\$4.20 billion (£282 million) from HK\$3.41 billion on Wednesday. Banks, which led the morning rise on foreign institutional demand, remained the largest gainers with Hang Seng Bank rising HK\$1.50 to HK\$5.3.00 and HSBC 50 cents to HK\$53.

Cheung Kong, which jumped to HK\$26.30 in the morning, drifted back to close at HK\$25.80, up 20 cents. Henderson Land rose 20 cents to HK\$19.20.

☐ Tokyo — Shares closed moderately lower after lacklus-tre trading and the Nikkei index ended under 17,000 for the first time since last Friday. The Nikkei fell 129.26 points or 0.76 per cent, to 16,987.66. Turnover dropped to about 160 million shares against 256 million shares on Wednesday. Prices sank on profittaking and a lack of positive factors, with some worries

#### German move hurts Dow

New York - Shares fell in the morning as investors greeted the weak June housing starts and the rise in German interest rates with disappointment. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 9.42 points to

☐ Frankfurt — Prices were firmer at the end of a nervous session as tension rose in Bundesbank council meeting. The Dax index closed up 5.91 points at 1,740.53, below yesterday's high of 1,743.95.

The news that the Bundes bank was raising its discount lending rate came after the close of trading. Sydney - The market closed slightly higher. The all-

ordinaries index closed 2.5 points up at 1,639.2. bled across the board on liquidation by institutional funds. The Straits Times industrial index fell 18.54 points to 1,462.6 I on a volume of 34

(Reuter)

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#### STOCK MARKET.

## German discount rate rise wipes out share gains

NEWS of the three-quarter point rise in the German discount rate ensured another volatile session for investors in

An early lead of almost 21 points was quickly wiped out as the Bundesbank signalled its intention to get to grips with German monetary targets and fight inflation. But a rise in the Lombard rate, which many brokers had feared and which would have put renewed pressure on sterling, almost certainly resulting in higher domestic base rates, failed to materialise.

By the close of business, most fund managers were taking the view that the news could have been much worse and they seemed content with the final outcome, which left the FT-SE 100 index down 3 points on the day at 2,483.4.

Share prices started the day in a confident mood despite an overnight setback on Wall Street. Some encouraging economic news and fresh buying in the futures market, which saw the September series touch 2513, was mainly re-

sponsible for the firm start. Turnover grew to 525 million shares, partly inflated by a late programme trade which saw some large lines of stock go through the market. They included 1.8 million shares in Blue Circle Industries. down 10p at 196p, 1.9 million

Forte, Ip cheaper at 162p, 1.9 million BPB Industries, 3p off at 140p, 1 million BTR, 1p easier at 445p, 2.4 million Asda, unchanged at 28p, 1.2 million Sears, 2p easier at 82p, and 2.3 million Guardian Royal Exchange, 7p better

at 144p. Worries that the rate move by the Germans would put further pressure on the dollar left the overseas earners lower. Allied-Lyons fell 14p to 620p. Tate & Lyle slid 7p to 355p. and GEC dropped 3p to

Grand Metropolitan's shares ended 11p off at 457p with the company's joint bro-ker, Panmure Gordon, reckoned to have shaved its profit forecast. Parimure is close to the bottom end of estimates.

Chemring's interim pre-tax profits were up from £2.41 million to £2.65 million and Bikuben-Whitefriars, the broker, says it is on target to meet its forecast of £5.25 million for the year. The strong balance sheet will enable the group to make earnings-en-hancing buys that have yet to be reflected in the price. unchanged yesterday at 840p.

but it is still looking for pre-tax profits of about £1 billion in the current year. Oil shares



possibility of a weaker dollar. The Americans have been big buyers of oil companies shares this year, unperturbed by the prospect of a dividend cut and the world economic outlook. But there were few buyers around yesterday as BP fell 3½p to 207p, Enter-prise Oil lost 9p to 358p. Lastro fell 12p to 144p, and Shell dipped 4p to 481p.

Companies with exposure to the ailing German economy were marked lower by marketmakers in order to deter any sellers. Redland, which has been helped out throughout the recession by the contribu-tion from its German operations, finished the day 19p cheaper at 445p, after briefly

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were also overshadowed by the touching 435p. RMC Group. also with big German interests, lost 8p at 518p.

The building sector in general remained in the doldrums, still worried by the gloomy outlook for the industry. County NatWest, the bro-ker, has been telling its clients that it could be 1994 before the first signs of recovery begin to filter through.

Elsewhere among the building supply companies Pil-kington dropped below the El level to finish 11p down at a low of 96p. The shares have been a weak market of late and, if the shares continue to trade at this level, the group is likely to lose its status as a constituent of the FT-SE 100 index at the end of September.

mortgage lender, was steady at 24p despite the news of further losses at the halfway stage. Pre-tax losses in the first six months were £85.9 million. compared with a profit of £10.1 million for the corresponding period last time. The losses were struck after provisions of £79.4 million, including £52 million to cover losses at its NMB banking arm and a further sum of £20 million to cover non-payment of mortgage arrears. Last year, National Home Loans made a loss of £48 million and recently negotiated a restructuring of its debts that totalled £540

A warning of increased provisions left the shares in Associated British Ports 23p

The outlook is looking brighter for Sterling Publishing. Credit Lyonnais Laing rates the shares, 1p firmer at 60p, as a strong buy. Sterling recently returned to the black with profits of E3.2 million and Laing has pencilled in £5.7 million for the current year. About 3 per cent of the changed hands

lower at 323p. The warning accompanied the news of the letting of a 70,000 square foot

property in Bracknell, Berkshire. The group said that market conditions had deteriorated since last year when its property portfolio was last valued. Associated British Ports would be reviewing its property portfolio and expected to make further provisions of about £10 million.

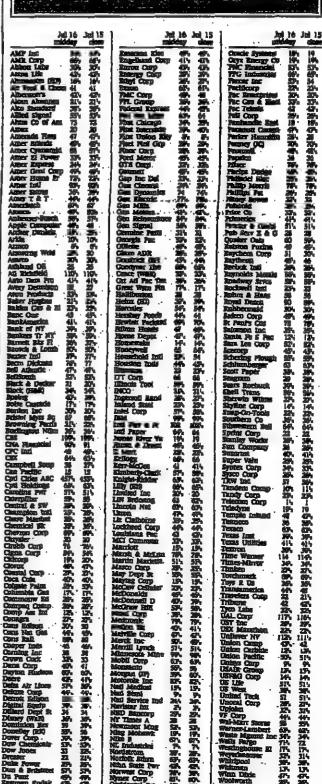
Owners Abroad, the travel operator, fell 3p to 63p after the market heard the news of increased interim losses. The deficit in the first six months grew by £6.1 million to £27.1 million. But Howard Klein, the chairman, moved quickly to calm shareholders. He said the losses were in line with budgeted results and reflected the growth of Air 2000, the group's charter airline, during

the winter period.

Great Universal Stores' A shares jumped 43p to £14.08 and the ordinary shares rose 25p to £19.38 after GUS reported a healthy increase in its full-year figures despite the recession. Pre-tax profits were up from 6438.6 million to £459.2 million

One of the few bright spots among the second-liners was Hicking Pentecost, up 11p at 130p, after the shareholders were told that results so far in the current year were up on last year when the group made profits of £2.2 million.

MICHAEL CLARK



#### Foreign bond rules eased by Japanese FROM REUTER IN TOKYO

JAPAN'S finance ministry says it has eased restrictions on

issues of foreign bonds. A ministry statement said it would eliminate net asset requirements for companies that issue non-guaranteed bonds ahroad, including straight corporate bonds and warrant bonds. Japanese companies' issues without bank guarantees formerly had to meet Y33

billion (£137 million) net asset

requirements, it said. Under the new rules, effective from August 1, bonds guaranteed by banks and their parent companies can be issued with lower credit ratings and less net assets. Foreign public bodies, central banks. and international institutions will be able to issue straight bonds in Japan when they have BBB ratings.

#### **Bowater Inc** expects loss until 1993

BOWATER Inc does not expect to be profitable before next year (Reuter reports from Connecticut). A. P. Gammie. chairman, said newsprint prices would not improve enough for that to be possible. even after a reduction in discounts due on August 1.

The company reported a second-quarter net loss of \$24.4 million, compared with net profit of \$20.2 million last time. Mr Gammie said that while prices of newsprint and uncoated groundwood papers "appear to have stabilised ... and even have shown signs of strengthening, they remain at clearly unprofitable

Recovery was spotty and nationally, too much capacity was chasing too few orders. He believed, however, that the second quarter of 1992 was the bottom of the cycle.

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vestors anxious to pick u stock. Most of their efforts were concentrated at the medium end, where prices rose by around £4 with the Treasury 10 per cent 2001 climbing six ticks to £10515/32. Prices at the short end also made headway as Exchequer 102 per cent 1997 rose five ticks to £10413/16. The longer end

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was little changed. It had been feared that the Bundesbank would also push up the Lombard rate, which would have put the pound under further pressure and almost certainly have resulted in an increase in bank hase

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## A long message from Frankfurt

he Bundesbank's decision to raise its discount rate by 0.75 of a percentage point does not necessarily constitute good news. The move is far more benign internationally than a rise in the lombard rate, which might have triggered a realignment within the exchange-rate mechanism. British interest and mortgage rates are safe for the time being. But amid all the excitement, a deeper message emerged from Frankfurt. Long-term rates, like those on ten-year deposits, remained relatively steady yesterday, and even showed a slightly positive tendency. This market reaction stands in sharp confrast to the previous occasions when the Bundesbank raised rates. Then, the markets believed that the next move would be downwards. This time, they are no longer so sure. They are even less sure about when Germany's interest rates are going to

For some time Germany has had a downward sloping yield curve with short-term rates around 9.6 per cent and long rates at 8 per cent. A great deal of cash has flowed into short-term deposits, thereby boosting M3, the money supply indicator whose unruly growth prompted yesterday's events in the first place. Large borrowers are therefore still able to secure long-term funds on favourable terms. The Bundesbank's decision to close the window between the lombard and the discount rate effectively suggests an attempt to increase long rates and thus flatten the inverted yield curve. Had the Bundesbank opted for a raise in the lombard rate, the situation would have been the reverse. The yield curve would have become even more inverted and the money supply would have expanded in the short run. It would have set in motion a potentially vicious circle.

The worst has been avoided but higher long rates are themselves an unwelcome sign that German interest rates are likely to remain higher than anyone would have thought six months ago. They will not come down this year, and they may even remain at or near present levels this time next year. British rates have little room to do otherwise.

#### Deeper in debt

elay in recovery is bringing uncomfortable rises in government borrowing that will make the impending cabinet debate on next year's public speading round even more tense than the £14 billion initial overshoot of departmental claims promised. The economy is now more likely to shrink by up to 0.5 per cent this year than grow by the l per cent the Chancellor assumed when he forecast a 1992-3 public sector borrowing requirement of £28

In the Gity, PSBR-forecasts have already risen to £32 billion or more this financial year with at least as big an overshoot on the budget forecast of £32 billion for 1993-4. The unexpectedly high June PSBR of £4.23 billion, which brings the first quarter deficit up to £10.8 billion, indicates why VAT receipts are running at about the same level as in June 1990 and June 1991 despite inflation and the rise in the tax rate. Compared with 1991, overall cash receipts fell by 0.5 per cent for the quarter while spending rose by

Mr Lamont could massage the figures by selling £5 billion of debt owed to the government by privatised companies. Otherwise, gross gilt-edged sales might have to reach £36 billion this year and more than £40. billion next year even allowing for buoyant National Savings receipts. Fortunately for the government, the recession has persuaded many institutions to divert money from equities into fixed interest. Increased funding will surely still harden long-term interest rates relative to short-term rates, which themselves seem stuck for a while."

## Wellcome seeks right chemistry in City for positive reaction to issue

Martin Waller assesses

the prospects of the pharmaceutical company's share

> offer, as it enters a critical phase

n the red test tube are the toothgrinding critics, who insist the company is an overpriced car-nage drawn by two horses, one ageing and the other looking suspi-ciously lame. In the blue test rube are most of the big names of the City, linked to the £3 billion Wellcome share issue and keen for it to be a success, and the Wellcome Trust, the charity that owns three quarters of the pharmaceuticals group and is doing

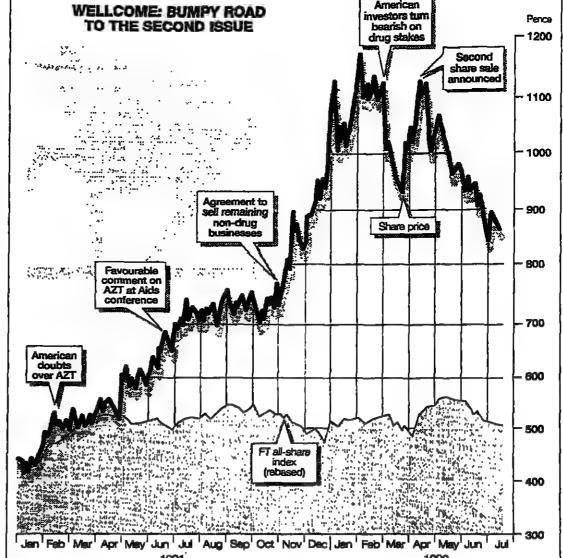
The reaction when the test tubes are mixed and Wellcome comes to the market will set the tone for such big cash-raising exercises for a good while, coming as it does after the failed floration of GPA Group, the Irish aircraft leasing company and at the end of a summer that has been disastrous for new issues.

The timing could hardly be worse. Retail investors will be asked to apply by Tuesday afternoon, although the institutions will have a couple more days to make up their minds. The past week has seen three other new issues prove unattractive to the general public. Shares in Anglian Windows opened at a discount after a derisory response from the man in the street. Taunton Cider and MFI flopped, and MFI shares are also expected to start trading today at a discount. Dealings in Taunton will not start until next Thursday, but the omens are not good. All three issues were regarded as good value in the City. Those few analysts who remain outside the Wellcome camp are more doubtful about the value for money in this much bigger international issue, although in fairness in a tender offer such as this they have their reasons for talking the price down.

Welkome's advisers make a significant distinction between their client and the other, smaller flotations. Wellcome shares are already traded, giving some benchmark to their worth. And as one of the leading drug companies in the world, the company remains a core part of any investment portfolio.

Wellcome was founded by two Americans, Sir Henry Wellcome and Silas Burroughs, in 1880. When Sir Henry, a man of strong religious and humanitarian beliefs, died in 1936 he left all his shares to be held in charitable trusts, now collected together as the Wellcome Trust. to promote the advancement of medical research. His is remarkable one. Wellcome has become one of the great medical research institutes of the century, by some measurements the world's leading drug company and one that can boast four Nobel laureates.

Welkome's huge, sprawling re-search park in Beckenham, south



London, looks more like a university campus than a hive of industry. Not all the work that goes on at Becken-ham is aimed at finding new reme-dies for mankind's ills. A fair part goes into protecting the patents Well-come has built up over the decades.

The Trust floated the Wellcome company in 1986, selling about 21 per cent of its holding. The shares, sold initially at 120p, touched £11.28 this January, before news of the second share sale this summer, helped by explosive growth in pharmaceuticals stocks.

Wellcome came to the market on the back of its huge success in developing anti-viral agents, and in particular the first horse pulling that carriage, Zovirax, an effective counter for herpes and shingles, but the patent for which expires by stages over the next five years. But it was another. sexually-transmitted virus that catapulted Wellcome into the headlines and transformed the share price, providing the second horse on the carriage along with a fair share of CODITIONS

At the time of the first flotation, it was known that Wellcome was working on an anti-Aids agent, but the company was understandably keen to talk down prospects. At least one other quoted company has had its reputation severely tarnished by an attempt to talk up the efficacy of its

products against Aids during the scares of recent years. In March 1986, The Lancer, the medical journal, reported that the drug AZT had been tested on humans for six weeks without serious side-effects. It looked like the modern medical Holy Grail, the long-awaited first assault on Aids.

Wellcome, to its eternal credit, was again keen to play down the implications, stressing that trials were at an early stage and there were serious side-effects. But by the start of 1987, the shares had risen sharply.

There is evidence that Wellcome was at this stage somewhat embarrassed by the media attention given to AZT, otherwise named Retrovir. While the City and the press, for their different reasons, were keen to know about progress on the Aids front, Wellcome was keener to talk about the market for the less exciting but, at the time, more significant Zovirax.

The company has not helped its cause, however, by refusing to indiale just now much money it makes from Retrovir, now in full-scale production, or from any other drug, including Zovirax. This has allowed a well-honed Aids pressure group to allege profiteering, amid suggestions that as much as half of all earnings come from the AZT; the media, particularly in America, have often turned hostile as a consequence. Even worse, a maverick group of scientists. who oppose the prevailing medical opinion on the disease and claim the HIV virus has little or no role in the development of full-blown Aids, has alleged that Retrovir is as damaging

to the patient as the symptoms

themselves; they say Wellcome is

engaged in "iatrogenic genocide",

hastening the death of patients by the prescription of the drug. Those holding such opinions remain on the fringes of medical science. Wellcome courteously refuses to split down profits, but points out quite reasonably that while Retrovir sales rose by E7 million to £177 million between 1990 and 1991, in part because of price cuts, group pretax profit rose 28 per cent to £403

million over the same period. The controversy over Retrovir is the reason why Retrovir, unusually for a drug other than opiates or other compounds that can be diverted for recreational use, is produced in tamperproof capsules. While there is evidence that algs sufferers, in America the compound because of the unpleasant side-effects, a black market

has by all accounts grown up in AZT. Drug companies share prices are uncommonly volatile and prone to move on market speculation that brokers, often scientifically unquali-

fied, themselves fail to fully understand. Fisons was once one of Britain's blue-chip companies but has now been brought low after problems with the American Food and Drug Administration over production of its compounds in Britain, which led to a sharp decline in the share price.

The Wellcome camp claims that the arrival on the market of another 38 per cent of the share capital will, if anything, curb such market volatility, a theory that is not easy to square with past experience. Only a day after the size of the issue was announced, Wellcome shares were on the slide. again after reports that scientists at Yale University had claimed an important discovery in the development of a new Aids drug. Nevirapine, with fewer side-effects than Retrovir.

n Sunday, two days before the public offer in Britain closes, the eighth International Congress on Aids opens in Amsterdam. Wellcome and Retrovir will doubtless garner a fair few news headlines.

Two uncertainties cloud the prospects for the issue. The market in America for new share offers is a growing disaster area. It was the cold shoulder from American institutions that saw off GPA. American interest, to judge from the number of shares allocated to Wall Street, has been lower than expected for Wellcome.

The second problem Wellcome was required to highlight in its prospectus. "The pharmaceuticals industry in the United States is confronting the most challenging political environment in many years," potential investors are warned. Put bluntly. 1992 is election year and the American government is very publicly requiring drug firms, seen as huge profit-makers, to cut prices or make rebates to state bodies prescribing their drugs. In Japan, a market where Wellcome is under-represented with just a 0.5 per cent market share, prices are reviewed by the health ministry every two years, and the average reduction in 1992 was 8 per cent.

in its favour, the company has a new management put in place in 1990 headed by John Robb, the chief executive, who moved across from Beecham, and a far more marketoriented approach to selling drugs. Sir Henry Wellcome's legacy was a great one in research terms; but as a private company Wellcome was rather more relaxed about the business of peddling the resulting product. Mr Robb has concentrated on chopping out the less profitable businesses and the less productive lines of research.

As the institutional tender period heads for its close next week, there are two approaches the City can adopt. If institutions believe that the share price has been driven down far enough in the run up to the sale and will rebound thereafter, the discount on the existing price likely in the tender oner represe in particular, are drawing away from tunity, especially if it is in the 15 per cent area the more bearish observers say is needed to get the issue away. The more risk-averse investors, however, will hold back to see the striking price and then top up their holdings in the after-market. On that balance does the future of the issue depend.

#### City fathers trust fund ONE of the few City institu-

tions to be untouched by controversy in recent years is the Corporation of the City of London. This may change as the City fathers are being taken to court over their custodianship of the City cash, a £1 billion fund that has been built up over the past 1,000 years. Patrick Streeter, 45, a chartered accountant and part-time antiquarian, is taking action under the 1925 Trustee Act claiming that these funds are held in trust for the citizens of London and that proper accounts and a report on the City's stewardship should be published. Andrew Colvin, the City solici-tor, says that the fund is the private property of the City to spend on what it likes, the only restraint being public oppro-brium. "I think it is a disgrace that they are sitting on all this cash and spending it secretively." says Streeter. "They have a problem in that they have to spend the income each year -£50 million — or else they pay income tax, but most of it seems to go on banquets at the Guildhall."

#### Hoare recruits

AFTER a year of cost cutting. and 50 redundancies in equities alone, Hoare Govett is strengthening its UK equities desk by bringing in Peter Toeman and Steve Thorn, the UBS Phillips & Drew banking team rated third by Extel. Hoare's, now owned by ABN Amro, the Dutch bank, has also recruited Simon Har-



"I shot an arrow in the air, it fell to earth I know not where but my foot hurts"

greaves, BZW market-making director, to cover banks, while Trevor Griffiths, a general salesman, is joining from UBS P&D. Hoare's took on Brian Crossley from Merrill Lynch last year to cover European banks but, inopportunely, given it is broker to Lloyds Bank, has been without a UK banking team for six months after Nick Collier's move to Morgan Stanley.

#### Racing away

THE Chemical Corporate Challenge — the old Manny Hanny run — attracted 6,000 runners and yielded a new fastest chief executive in the 3.5-mile race in Battersea Park on Wednesday. John Barber, 44, head of Royal Reinsurance, completed the course in 18.21 minutes, just beating the 18.35 minutes set by previous winner, Terry O'Neill of the Human Resource Partifership. Barber, The same of the sa

whose business is reinsuring the likes of Hurricane Hugo and Piper Alpha, has been running for ten years and says he finds it "the only way to keep sane in a world where every time you switch on the radio you hear of a catastrophe and think what's in this for us?". Unfortunately, the rest of his team was not speedy enough to qualify him for the finals in New York. British Gas came up with the fastest men's team and National Westminster the fastest women's and fastest mixed teams.

#### On the mat THE Wolverhampton judo

team, may soon be looking for a new sponsor if Kalon, the paint maker, succeeds in the current hostile bid for its rival Manders. For the past three years, Manders, based in Wolverhampton, has sponsored the team, but the sponsorship may now be in jeopardy with Kalon, whose ex-chairman Leslie White is now chairman of Leeds United, better known for its football interests. Today, at least, Roger Akers, Manders' chief executive, will be setting such fears aside when he sends off two of the Wolverhampton team, Densign White and Elvis "Teddy Bear" Gordon, to Barcelona where they are representing Britain in the Olympics. Gordon got his name on account of his "exceptionally sweet natute", according to John Farmer, Manders' finance director. "Sweet, that is, except when he's out on the mat when he's absolutely lethal."

#### BUSINESS LETTERS

#### Chambers of commerce might not give impartial advice to start-ups

From Mr Matt Huber Sir, Christopher Stewart-Smith's argument (July 13) that chambers of commerce should be sources of business advice is flawed. Chambers may potentially be "the natural voice of business" along European lines - but are they really impartial sources of

business advice for start-ups? Chambers exist courtesy of membership subscriptions. Local enterprise agencies on the other hand, to which he makes sweeping reference, are impartial — and are not financed by those they assist. This makes them realistic and objective about the chances for new business in their area.

The flaw in Mr Stewart-Smith's case is that he seems to overlook the valuable and necessary work enterprise put off, those wanting to dash headlong into ill planned, poorly financed or unsoundly based business ventures and self-employment.

As former director of an enterprise agency, I know how often organisations like mine have to advise an aspiring business person that a town with five existing hairdressing salons may not viably support a sixth — despite the optimism of the would-be entrepreneur; would a chamber of commerce be as frank and neutral. faced with a potential new member? Yous faithfully.

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#### NSM capital reorganisation misconceived charges (which are likely to fall) and preference dividend

Sir, NSM plc 8.5p (nett) convertible cumulative redeemable preference 10p shares now stand at 25p and the ordinary shares are quoted at 1p. This disaster follows the demise of Burnett and Hallamshire and is a repeat of the same errors of diversification by buying and then selling companies and assets at wrong times and prices.

The proposed capital reorganisation to be considered at the extraordinary meeting of the company to be held on Friday, July 24, does not address the problems. It merely incurs cost and camouflages the issues. This proposed reorganisation is probably also depressing share prices due to uncertainty.

The core coal companies DEBRA ISAAC appear to be in order and the only way to pay interest

#### Evidence on Maxwell needed agencies do to rein in, or even From Mr M.A. Kirkham

Sir, Last week the SIB released its comments on Imro's report into its approval and supervision of the Maxwell com-panies which managed pension fund assets.

Unfortunately, the decision has been taken to suppress publication of the full Imro report, apparently on legal

However, SIB does reveal that Imro concluded that both companies, Bishopsgate Investment Management (BIM) and London and Bishopsgate International Investment Management (LBI) were properly admitted to membership. No evidence is offered to

support this conclusion. We do know that Imro set a number of criteria for assessing the suitability of applicants for membership. These were identified in Imro's evidence given earlier this year to the House of Commons Social Security Committee chaired by Frank Field. The first two

"(I) The business record and reputation of the applicant and its controllers. (II) The honesty and integri-

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tor of BIM at the time of its application; events have shown that his honesty and integrity were not beyond reproach. Is it not reasonable to ask

Imro and the SIB to produce

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conclude otherwise?

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## Patterns that turn into codes

A system using internal shapes should allow the army to tell tanks from trees, writes **George Cole** 

n obscure branch of mathematics, concerned with the patterns and shapes of everyday objects, could change the face of computing and telecommunications this decade. Books with hundreds of colour pictures and dozens of pages of text are being stored on a standard computer floppy disc, while moving video images can be sent along ordinary

These developments are based on "fractals", mathematical codes that can express an object's shape or texture. The term fractal, from the Latin fractus, meaning fragmented, was coined by the French mathematician Benoit Mandelbrot in 1975. Fractal theory says natural objects such as a cloud or a cabbage have irregular or "chaotic" shapes. Within these shapes, however, is a series of patterns that can be expressed as a mathematical code.

Fortunately, M Mandelbrot's work could be tested on computers, which had the power to process the codes. The result was stunning computer graphics and displays. Fractal image generation is also used in flight simulators and for special effects in films.

However, if fractals can produce complex shapes from mathematical codes, why not also use them to convert complex images into relatively simple codes? In 1987 the British mathematicians Dr Michael Barnsley and Dr Alan Sloan formed Iterated Systems, in Atlanton ta, Georgia.

They were hoping to develop a system that used fractals to compress or reduce the size of images. Data compression is important now that some of today's and most of tomorrow's personal computers are designed to work with pictures and video.

The snag is that images require lots of digital code, which in turn needs lots of storage space or memory. For example, a floppy disc can store only one or two highquality colour images.

telephone line, satellite link or



Positive identification: Andrew Sinden, of Origin, with the credit card with the user's image squeezed on to the magnetic strip

computer network system. The data can take ages to transmit and increases telephone bills.

In 1988 Dr Barnsley invented the fractal transform compression system. This works by analysing a digitalised image and searching for sets of fractals. The fractal codes require little data. For example, a high-quality colour image using about 800 kilobytes of data can be

reduced to ten kilobytes.

A standard floppy disc can therefore store hundreds of colour images or even a one-minute video clip. To demonstrate the power, Iterated Systems has developed the Floppy Book — a floppy disc containing 100 colour images and 100 pages of text The system also enables comput-

er images to be sent quickly. It takes about five seconds to send a colour image along a conventional tele-phone line, but less than a second with the new digital systems. "Fractal transform has many

other advantages," says Jon Blay. Reading, Berkshire, "For instance, tures in Radio), a system that sends

the system generates an image to match the picture quality of the display screen. The better the television screen or monitor, the hetter the image."

Or Barnsley says: "Fractal transform will revolutionise image rechnology just as the silicon chip has revolutionised electronics." The system has gained the

support of the large American software company Microsoft, which was granted a licence for the product this year. The system is also being closely examined by the International Standards Organisation, a body that sets world standards for various technologies.

The Gartner Group, an American research organisation, now predicts that fractal transform has a 50 per cent chance of becoming the world standard for image compression. Last year the company put the possibility at only 20 per cent. Last month Iterated Systems and

digital images are sent along a System's British subsidiary in company, announced Pictor (Pio-

high-quality colour images over high-frequency radio links. The digitised images are compressed using fractal transform and then mixed with the radio signal. Transmitting an image with Pictor takes about six minutes.

origin IQ, of Whyteleafe, Surrey, is working on several projects using the technology. One of these is for the Civil Aviation Authority, which is evaluating the use of external video cameras on aircraft. The video cameras on aircraft. The cameras provide pilots with additional information on the workings of an aircraft. A jumbo jet requires seven video cameras on its fuselage. and a vast amount of videotane would be needed to store the images. However, the new system makes it possible to record all the video pictures in the flight recorder.

The electronics company Panasonic is using a low-cost - less than £10,000 - system from Origin to store company documents and pictures, and a news agency is considering the system for remote

Andrew Sinden. Origin's managing director, says fractal trans-

form compression means that videophones that display moving vid-eo pictures can be used on ordinary telephone lines. "You do not have to wait for the new digital telephone

systems," he says.
Origin is also working with Apac, the bank security organisation, on a credit card that stores the user's image in the magnetic strip. The image is squeezed on the card using compression and can be read by a computer linked to a box of

The American military is conducting tests to see whether fractals can be used to detect objects such as camouflaged tanks. "A fractal is a mathematical equation," Mr Sinden says, "so in theory different objects will have different equations. This way, you could differentiate between a tank and a tree."

Another possible use is in security. Cameras at an air terminal or port could be linked to a computer database with stored images of suspected criminals or terrorists as fractal code. If a person's photograph matched a code, it could trigger an alarm.

#### The new Malachi delivers the word

Translation of the Bible into obscure languages is speeded by computer

f you are interested in translating documents into languages such as Welsh, Swahili or Sinhala, you could find the people with the know-how at the British and Foreign Bible Society. You may do even bener to talk it over with their computer.

The society is developing soft-ware to understand words in any language, ready for production work by the end of this year. Its first job will be concordances — indexes of words and passages — in Russian, Weish and Hebrew,

Producing concordances for modern editions of the Bible in different languages is a large part of the society's work, but its better known task is to co-operate with

the other 110 Bible societies in translating the scriptures into the world's estimated 6.170 languages. So far, the United Bible Societies have completed at least a book of the Bible in almost 2,000 languages, and the whole Bible in 322. Present spending on worldwide scripture transla-



tion, production and distribution is about £20 million a year. Translation into minority lan-guages has the benefits of increas-

ing literacy and protecting minority languages as many of them have no written tradition. Typically, it can take 50 to 60 years to make a complete translation. After 170 years' concerted effort, there are 5,758 languages to go, so a computer system to automate the task could be crucial. The Bible societies, however, are

dealing with languages that are poorly catered for by commercial translation machines. The computer word-cruncher the society uses is called Malachi. "The production process will go from ten or 15 years to ten or 15 months for a complete concordance," estimates Jon Riding, the computer systems manager. The society has not missed the commercial possibilities, and has patented several of the processes. Philip Poole, the finance director, says: "We think there is a commercial market for this system.

business of making things as available as possible as quickly and

easily as possible to people."

Some basic rules of translation Some basic rules of translation between two languages can be written down in a transition network, but they fail to recognise ambiguities. In French, when you ask for a light you want feu, but if you see the light the werb is commender. These different rules comprendre. These different rules for translating the same word depend on context, which comput-er programs generally do badly. Malachi can extract the sense of

the words in context. Malachi has a technique called closed corpus analysis, which allows the machine to find and classify equivalent words

in its own arbitrary ways. These functional categories can be used to form putative digms. Strangely, rather than searthing for uniformity in translations that it analyses, Malachi learns most about a language when it finds alternative uses of words in different contexts.

The system matches word stems in different languages and notes their alternatives according to

David Robinson, the society's linguist and computer consultant, says: "It will work best in translating between languages that are not too dissimilar."

Malachi also finds and classifies morphemes — the language com-ponents. The prefixes and suffixes are separated from the stems. classified, and then used themselves to classify the type of word they combine with.

A morpheme is a simple language unit, either a word or part of a word, that has some meaning for instance, bar in bartender, or ham in hamburger. In another language individual morphemes can be misunderstood to produce quirks of translation. In English, hamburgers became beefburgers. In Tonga the morpheme ba is the prefix for a phural noun, and mu the singular prefix, so bartenders be-

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#### Go fuzzy for the best results camera shake as a camcorder flaps around in the hand. Our

apanese consumers are buying washing maset the cleaning cycle and carpets that heat up as room temperature fails, George Cole writes. Both products claim to use fuzzy logic, a technology that tries to make computers copy humans. Fuzzy logic was developed in

1965 by Professor Lotti Zadeh. of the University of California. Computers normally work with precise information, but humans can understand vague terms such as "quite warm" and "more or less". A computer would say that a 35-year-old was middle-aged and that at 55 people become old. In reality, the line is blurred. Fuzzy logic uses mathematical codes to enable computers to try to make sense of imprecise information.

Little interest was initially paid to Professor Zadeh's work and few applications were developed. In 1974 Abe Mamdani, an electrical engineer at Queen Mary College, London, demonstrated a fuzzy logic system that controlled a steam engine's pressure and A strange logic is making household

appliances work better in Japan

speed. In 1980, the Danish company F.L. Smidth used it to control a cement kiln and by 1987 it was controlling the Sendai subway train system in Japan. Then in 1989 there was an explosion of so-called fuzzy logic products on the Japanese consumer market.

Today many products in Japan sport fuzzy logic labels, including washing machines, fan heaters, microwave ovens vacuum cleaners, toasters and refrigerators.

"People want more leisure time," says Akira Nagano, of Maisushita, the parent company of Panasonic and Technics. They like fuzzy logic because it saves time and lets

them perform like experts." Most fuzzy logic products are operated by a single button and the appliance does the thinking. The products offer some novel features. Sanyo, for example, markets a carpet with a built-in heater. Sensors detect the temperature and the

chines using optical sensors to measure the quality and quan-tity of dirt, while another sensor determines the size of the wash load and whether the detergent is liquid or powder.
The information is fed to a microcomputer, which then selects one of 600 wash cycles.

The latest Japanese vacuum cleaners contain sensors that detect the amount of dust and type of floor. The deaner sets the suction level. There are camcorders that break down an image into picture zones and analyse them. This is claimed to improve focusing and exposure. "Today's camcorders are small and light, which is a great benefit to consumers." says Peter

Hamblin, Panasonic UK's

marketing director, "but there

is 'an intrinsic problem of

heater switches on if it falls below a pre-set level.

There are also washing ma-

Few fuzzy logic products are sold outside Japan, although last year the Franco-Italian company SGS-Thomson Microelectronics began a £15 million programme to develop fuzzy logic microchips.
The critics suggest that fuzzy

era shake."

compact camcorders use a fuzzy logic system that analyses

movement and reduces carn-

logic is a sales gimmick. Even so, there are many more fuzzy logic products in the pipeline and the companies have developed an enhanced system being called neuro-fuzzy. This combines fuzzy logic with neural networks. It is intended to make computers work more like the human brain and help them to perform "intelligent tasks" such as understanding speech.

Yoshihiro Fujiwara, the di-rector of Matsushita's central research laboratory, says the home of the future may use these systems in the kitchen These would have sight, smell, sound and weight sensors to help with cooking.

#### CD quality on the air

EUROPE and Canada have set 1995 as the date for introducing a digital radio system to create CD quality.
The broadcasting system promises to improve listening for city-dwellers, motorists and those in hilly areas, many of whom have poor reception because conventional FM waves scatter off buildings and hills. Interference among the broken-up signals causes distortion and tunnels block

the signals altogether. The process converts sound into numbers and protects the signal's integrity until it is reconverted into analogue sound at the receiver end.

Digital audio broadcasting

(DAB) signals can be received in dead zones, such as tunnels and subways, because the signals can be piped in with repeaters, also called "gap fillers". In the past such repeaters had to use another frequency so that it did not distort the signal it was intend-

Germany is leading the European nations pushing for

the system by 1995. Canada also aims to have its first DAB station on the air that year. The United States is less eager. partly because small recession-hit radio stations are reluctant to invest.

The portable stereo craze and advances in car audio have put pressure on broad-casters to keep up with the technology or risk losing listeners, especially as new types of digital tapes and discs will be on sale soon. The proposed DAB system,

discussed at a meeting in Montreux. Switzerland, last month, would faithfully render CD recorded music from the softest cymbal swish to a symphonic finale. The system does not need expensive roof antennas, and simplifies tuning because receivers will recognise station names, not broadcast frequencies.

DAB has picked up speed recently. A world radio conference in March set aside airwaves for it, while Germany and France have developed a broadcasting system they hope

the rest of the world will adopt. At the Montreux conference, Peter Ratliff, the BBC dele-gate, called the European system, which is also being tested in Canada, an "outstanding success." Europe is leading the way

for two reasons. First, governments, hoping to regain some high-tech clout, have commit-ted £37 million to the European Community-backed project since 1988. Second, unlike the US, the national and regional networks cover wide areas with the same pro-grammes, which works well



with DAB's advantages. In Europe alone, sales could be boosted by up to 52 billion armually, said Frank Mueller-Roemer, the head of a German-led European consortium working on DAB.

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#### \* Big opportunities for small businesses

BY DEREK HARRIS

INFORMATION technology techniques are being increasingly province and the mainland, links seized on by small businesses to strengthen their hands in the fight for trade. Some developments are more commonplace than others. A Northern Ireland experience now underlines how information technology techniques can bring opportunities to small businesses by being able to offer services at highly

competitive prices. This is because of their being located away from the main conurbations with lower operating costs that can be reflected in their charges. The Dataprep Secretarial Service has been operating for just over a year in Belfast's Crumlin Road. It emerged from research inspired by the Stormont authorities to get more "back office" work done in the province for organisations looking to reduce the costs of employing people in cities like London. Grants helped to set up the business, run by Joan Irvine, its managing director, and Brendan McCloskey, who expect substantial

growth over the next five years.

The cost of living in the province is much less than in Britain mainly because of much lower property prices. Labour costs are put at 10 per cent less than in Britain as a whole. Commercial rents are also lower especially compared with London. An electronic bridge, par-ticularly since high-speed fibre-

province and the mainland, links this low-price capability with mar-kets that can use it. A letter dictated in London or a continent away can be sent down a telephone line to Belfast, transcribed promptly and channelled back to the customer's

main computer for printing out.
One of Dataprep's dozen clients is on a two-hour turnround service, but clients have had work finished and on their desks in as little as 15 minutes. Distance is wiped out. Mainland Europe and the United States are seen as natural areas for expansion by Dataprep.





"We'd love to help you out but unfortunately we gave all our money to Robert Maxwell

#### Charting the right course

By HELEN JOHNSTONE

NOT all small businesses, hit hard by the recession, blame the government, banks and late payers. For some managements, inexperience and inefficient operating practices have been a contributory factor. Many small businesses are altering their operating methods, bringing about a radical change in the role of the certified accountant in Britain. Small businesses are increasingly investing in up-to-date financial advice rather than keeping accountants in the traditional role of auditors whom they see only

occasionally. An example is Peter Freebody. who owns what he claims is Britain's largest wooden boatbuilding and restoration business. As well as enjoying the benefits of a celebrity clientele — including George Harrison, Michael Parkinson, Gerald Ratner and Richard Branson — he has a full order book for his yard on the Thames at Hurley in Berkshire. On the face of t, Peter Freebody should have been able to ride the recession reasonably well. However, it exposed flaws in his business practices that threatened his survival.

He said: "We are changing business practices we have had for over 30 years. I was running the business from the workshop, but I've learned that the office must

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dictate to the workshop." A chance meeting with Aruna Boyland, a freelance certified accountant. helped to put his business back on the right track. She believes bad operating practices are common in the small business world and more companies should be investing in regular financial advice.

Valerie Culley, the small business spokeswoman for the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, said: "Accountants these days should be regularly advising clients how to keep good books and records so that managers are in control of their businesses."

Mrs Culley says the days of accountants going into offices once or twice a year have gone. She added: "A lack of financial control has had a lot to do with businesses going under in this recession. Some could have avoided it with regular up-to-date financial ad-

John Harris, chairman of the policy unit of the Federation of Small Businesses, takes a different view. He maintains bad organisation is not too widespread a problem in small businesses. However, Philip Mellow, at Dun & Bradstreet, the world's largest business information firm, accepts that bad business practices account for some of the failures.



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employment prospects. ☐ Barclays Bank's small business customers will receive a detailed breakdown of charges on their bank statements from this month. The change is the first under the new code of business banking. Barclays will introduce, later this year, a choice of monthly or quarterly charging for commission and interest and advance notice of all charges before they are debited. ☐ Employers in Somerset will compete for prizes totalling nearly E300,000 awarded by the county's Training and Enterprise Council. Entrants will be asked to demonstrate how effectively they have developed their management skills. Details: John Pape on 0823 259121.

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## Eddery decides not to appeal over ban

PAT Eddery decided yesterday not to appeal against a controversial five-day ban for whip abuse — although it could cost him £50,000 in earnings and damage his chances of winning the jockeys' championship.

The suspension was im-posed by the Sandown stew-ards on Wednesday night after Eddery gave Kandy Secret what many professional observers considered to be a brilliant ride in the Bon Chic Bon Genre Claiming Stakes to record his 100th winner of the

Richard Hannon, trainer of the three-year-old, said yester-day he was "flabbergasted" by the ban. He described Kandy Secret as a lazy horse who tended to run in snatches. Having been gelded, Hannon applied a visor for the first time at Sandown to get him to run a decent race.

Pat had to go for the whip to get him running but he mostly gave the horse backhanders. The ban is very harsh and I'm really sorry for Pat. It could cost him £50,000 in

The ban will run from July 24-28 inclusive which means Eddery will miss the plum ride on Saddlers' Hall in the King George VI Queen Elizabeth

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Diamond Stakes, important racing in France, and the first day of Glorious Goodwood. Eddery said at Sandown yesterday: "There is no point in appealing. The guideline says ten blows is the maxi-

mum and I probably had 16. I would not have won otherwise - the borse flew for me - but the vet had a look afterwards and there were no marks. I flicked him and he ran on for

What do you do? I was doing my best for the owner, trainer, myself and the

As the champion jockey rightly pointed out, a borse trained by Hannon and rid-den by himself would have been well-backed. Had he stopped using his whip on such a lazy animal after ten hits, the horse would not have won and Eddery would have been most unpopular.

"It is an area they will have to do something about otherwise it will cause a lot of trouble and it won't do racing any good at all."

Eddery, nine times champion jockey, had little luck when racing got under way as Michael Roberts extended his lead by winning the Fox Warren Handicap on Invigi-

The victory provided Mick Naughton with his 23rd win-ner of the season, his best total since he began training in the

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Eddery was deprived of tipe chance of levelling the score in the Milcars Stakes when Hannon removed Actinella from the feature race.

Even so, he would have been hard pressed to have kept tabs with Bright Generation. yet another impressive two-year-old trained by Paul Cole, who won in decisive style by seven lengths from the heavi-ly-backed 5-4 favourite, Nury-

In the long term, Bright Generation, a daughter of Rainbow Quest, is viewed as an Oals rather than a 1,000 Guineas filly by connections. This season, she will have one more run before taking d?

some of the best fillies in the United States in the Selima Stakes at Laurel Park. To complete Eddery's day of woe. Top Song, his mount in the Heathrow Maiden Stakes.

was withdrawn at the start due to lameness and the race won by Roberts on Garden Of

Eddery is now an evenmoney chance with Ladbrokes to ride most winners this year while Roberts is 11-8 on.

#### Hockey men believe the balance is right

Seoul survivors: Batchelor, Potter, Garcia, Clift, Kerly and Martin, members of the gold medal team in 1988, hope for a repeat in Barcelona

SEAN Kerly's juggling act on the lawns of Hanbury Manor in Hertfordshire yesterday morning set the tone for the British hockey team's day of relaxation before leaving for Barcelona to defend the gold medal won four years ago in Seoul (Sydney Friskin writes). While other members of the squad found suitable

diversion by kicking a foot-

ball, Kerly, the scorer of eight goals in Seoul, was the target for the media. "I'm fit and ready for action but don't think it is going to be as easy as this," he said pointing to the three yellow balls in his right hand.

Bernie Cotton, the manager, gave a brief assessment of the team's potential. "This is a less experienced side than

1988, with 25 fewer caps, but it is a potent mixture of experienced old stars and those ignited by the fires of ambition" he said.

The experienced is provided by the six players who won gold medals in 1988 -Stephen Batchelor, Jon Potter, Russell Garcia, Robert Clift, Kerly and Stephen

scorers' list with four goals in the 12 internationals played since May 5. The man at the top is Robert Hill, with ten, all from short corners. Cotton added that 24 goals had been scored, but preferred not to dwell on the fact that 26 had

find himself second on the

Many of these lads have

While all thoughts are on the first match on July 26 against Egypt, the team, which leaves on Sunday, are taking only gentle exercise

in the early stages, the smell

of success will spur them on,"

Norman Hughes, the coach

before getting down to seri-

#### **SPORTS LETTERS**

#### Test cricket under pressure

From Mr M. I. Ahmad Sir. The unpleasant events at

Old Trafford (reports, July 7, 8) once again strengthen the argument for neutral umpires. One suspects that had the umpire. Roy Palmer, come from a neutral country, the ugly confrontation between him and Aqib Javed would not have taken place.

Nobody can or should condone the behaviour of the Pakistan side, whatever the provocation, but unfortunately all cricketing countries have been guilty of similar behaviour at one time or another. The game these days is highly competitive and is often

played under severe pressure. No umpire is infallible: mistakes are made and will continue to be made. Although such mistakes usually balance out, all touring sides have felt at times that they

#### Friendly gesture

From Mr John Lee Sir, I happen to agree with those who say the suspensions should not have been lifted against the English cricketers who went to South Africa, but so that the greedy ones should not have all their cake, perhaps they should subscribe half their emoluments to the Cricketers' Fund Friendly Society if and when they are selected for an England representative side. The amounts could remain confidential. Yours faithfully.

JOHN LEE. Shady Cottage, Augres. Trinity, Jersey.

alone have been victims of

such decisions. In the current series, a number of questionable um-piring decisions have been made both in the one-day internationals and the Test matches, which, if you ask the Pakistani camp, have all been

So, right or wrong, a local bias is always suspected, irrespective of where the matches are being played. Surely this problem can easily be resolved by opting for neutral umpires. Pakistan has experimented with this successfully against India and West Indies. Isn't it time that the others now did

Yours truly M. I. AHMAD, 22 Lloyd Park Avenue, Croydon, Surrey.

From Mr Mark A. Stevens behave like a spoilt child is acceptable on the Test cricket

As if it isn't hard enough already to find good, willing umpires at all levels of the game, how are they now to control petulant schoolboys and club cricketers when this example has been set?

The ICC, together with the acting match referee, Conrad Hunte, has sadly let down umpires, players and lovers of the game at all levels by this show of leniency - or was it perhaps weakness? Yours faithfully,

M. A. STEVENS, Windmill Cottage. The Common, Sevenoaks, Kent.

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#### Mystery of eighth ball

From Mr Michael Snook Sir. In "The over that lit the fuse" at Old Trafford (July 8) there is a suggestion that the scorers, in their interpretation of the situation that arose on the sixth and subsequent balls, "made this ball a no-ball instead of the seventh, and discounted the eighth".

Did the scorers consult the umpires before making their decision? If not this is a contravention of law 22.4 which states that if an umpire miscounts the number of bails, the over as counted by the umpire shall stand.

On the other hand, law 3.14 states that the umpires shall be responsible for satisfying themselves on the correctness of the scores throughout and at the conclusion of the match. Presumably, Messrs Shepherd and Palmer were satisfied by the scorers' inter-

pretation of the over. It would be helpful if the question raised could be resolved. In my limited experience of scoring league and friendly matches, there are occasions when an umpire miscounts. If I make a unilateral decision to "standardise" the over, I could ignore runs which were scored on the seventh or eighth good hall of the over. The scorer could finish up being the match-

Yours faithfully. MICHAEL SNOOK, 190 Twentywell Lane. Sheffield, South Yorkshire.

winner.

#### Better direction

From Mr David Monks Sir, Nigei Mansell's victory at Silverstone last Sunday was marvellous and the gate receipts were in the order of £25 million from a huge crowd. It seems a shame that so little of this amount was spent on the car parking arrangements for speciators. I was one of the fortunate ones who managed to leave the circuit within four hours, but I suspect that many others were imprisoned there

for much longer.

Surely, in such a high technology sport, with multimillion pound investment. more resources could be devoted to improving the lot of the spectator and the facilities available to him. Yours faithfully. DAVID MONKS,

#### **Junior tennis growing fast**

From the Executive Director of the Lawn Tennis Association Sir, The points made by Mr W. E. Norman (Sports Letters, July 9) about British tennis are as out of date as the Dunlop Maxply in the attic.

Tennis is growing in Britain faster than anywhere in Europe. In the last five years the number of open tournaments has tripled, the number of players with a rating has increased fourfold, and the number of indoor courts has increased from 180 to 500.

On the need to broaden the base of British tennis, a view fully shared with Mr Norman. the LTA, with the All England Club and the Sports Council, operates a programme called the Indoor Tennis Initiative (ITI), the objective of which is to provide tennis facilities on a pay-and-play basis at competitive prices.

I'TI centres have been opened, with 108 indoor courts, at a total cost of £22 million. The average price for indoor courts at the centre is £10 per hour at neak times and £7 per hour at off-neak times which, assessed on the cost to the individual. compares very favourably with most other sporting facilities.

The supposition by Mr Norman that the LTA gives money to the large clubs for coaching is simply not true.
The LTA does help clubs by providing loans, at a soft rate of interest, to enable them to improve their facilities, but these loans are restricted to chihs which have a well structured junior development programma

The LTA makes no secret of its income and expenditure and anyone wishing to know where the LTA spends its income need only pick up the phone and ask for a copy of the annual report, wherein they will find full details of our activities and expenditure.

To end on a positive note, 1 must correct Mr Norman's statement that no British player got beyond the last 16 at Wimbledon. Miles MacLagan reached the semi-final of the boys'

singles, MacLagan and Andrew Richardson reached the semi-final of the boys' doubles. and Julie Pullin and Lorna Woodroffe reached the quarter-finals of the girls' doubles. These results from our ju-

niors, which are better than we've achieved for many years, show that there is a real change under way in British

tennis and encourage us to look forward with optimism Yours sincerely,

I. D. PEACOCK. Executive Director, The Lawn Tennis Association The Queen's Club. West Kensington, W14.

From Mr J. R. Hasler Sir, Mr Norman rightly laments the high cost of tennis facilities in this country.

in the small club where 1 play we have members with an age range from eight to approaching 80. Our standard is indisputably low, but we try to provide outdoor tennis all year round at a very reasonable price: adult subscription is £35 and balls are provided at the more popular times (Saturday and Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings in the summer when an extra 20p is

paid for the session). Budding cricketers, play on another part of our sports ground, are well catered for and receive coaching and encouragement from more seasoned players, but we have the utmost difficulty in finding older members to give their time and experience for the

benefit of younger players.
I am sure there must be in this area, and throughout the country, a number of tennis players who would be prepared to give, without pay-ment, their time and expertise for the benefit of the really young element, so that those with talent may then pass on to the tuition of the more skilful coaches. There are a number of small tennis clubs with quite good basic facilities. which are used for only a few hours each week, where this initial teaching could take

It pains me to report that our club secretary wrote earlier this year to 13 schools in our neighbourhood advising them of our club's facilities and giving them details of a course of 10 lessons given by an LTA coach at a nominal fee of £12. He asked them to pass on these details to their pupils and also make them available to their staff. We did not receive a single acknowledge-I fear it will be some while

before we have a sprinkling of British players holding regular places among the top 20 in the world. Yours sincerely J. R. HASLER, 19 Widbury Gardens,

Hertfordshire.

From Mr Michael Scott Sir. The strong competitive spirit can be very much alive without kissing, spitting or mallet hurling, so Mr Law might take his son to watch a game of croquet, where consideration, respect and courte-sy are integral to the game. Yours sincerely, MICHAEL SCOTT,

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betting industry. As a result, proposals to provide year-round all-weather racing are to be considered in detail. More fixtures have already been scheduled in November and December this year, and from January, the ratio of Flat to jump fixtures is to be altered from 1-1 to 2-1.

#### Sandown Park

Going: good
2.15 (7) 18yd) 1. DOUBLE BASS (S Cauthen, 2-5 lay); 2. Careterman, U. Raed, 20-1); 3. La. Charroe (M. Roberta, 18-1). ALSO RAM: 9. Havel, 10. Heaventy Flak (Stn.), 20. Bonser Bridge (Stn.), 23. Empire Pool (45), 100. Confract Court 8 ran. 34. 34, ch. 65, 1, 100. Confract Court 8 ran. 34. 34, ch. 65, 1, 104, 51. 104, 51. 104, 51. 105, 51. 10

32 14sec.
2.45 (5) 6):0):1. NVIGILATE (M. Robarta, 10-11 lav; Thumderer's nap); 2, Chueshire Armie (J. Duirn, 8-1); 3, Warndering Stranger (W.P. Swinburn, 2-1). ALSO RAN: 8 Strangerupum (56), 10 Spel Dr. The Yukon (40), 12 Cromer's Express, 20 Justamenda (80), 7 an Nr. 2, 141, 143, 344. M. Naughton at Rechmond Total: E1-50; E1-40, E3-40, DF: 58-60. CSF: E7-72. 1min 02-23esc.
3.20 (7-16):d) 1, 8998417 GENERATION (A. Murro, 5-2: Mendarin's and Richard Evern's nap); 2, Nauysonita (W.P. Swinburn, 5-4 fed; 3, East Liberty (R. Cochrane, 4-1). ALSO RANI, 6 Witser's The Dental (40): 4 ran. MR.

Sandown Park

Going: good 8.25 (SI 6yd) 1, Resilities (J Reid; 3-1); 2, Recing Telegraph (6-1); 3, from Merchart (10-11 las) 8 from NF Frinçion Academy, 3, nit. G Herwood, Tota: \$4.60; \$21.60, \$21.60, \$21.00 OF: \$1.480 CSF: \$22.78. Easily Access Fristred Sand Isst, after a situated enquiry, was disqualified.
8-56 (Im 14ch) 1, Kinnerhia, Rev (A Turkor. empury, was disqualified.

8.55 (1m 14yd) 1, Kingdrisp Boy (A Tucker, 14-1), 2, Abos (20-1); 3, Swift Romence (25-1); 4, Lond's Finel (14-1), Prince Of Darkmass 4 Rev. 19 ran. NR; 5sr Giver, 144; 11, sh 1nd. M Ryen. Totec 216.80; 92.70, 23.90, E8.80, 92.80, DF: 222.80, CSF-2256.84, Titoset: 26,138.83, 72.85 (71 16yd) 1, Euro Festival (D Herrison, 16-1); 2, Dream Camler (11-2 (44ay); 3, Owner's Dream (8-1), Dende On Stopence 11-2 piece, 12 ran, 61 NH Mass L Siddhal Tote: 21.100; 23.10, 22.80, 22.90, DF: 531.80, CSF-2021.84 Tuckest: 263.38, Titos 13.85 (55 8) 25.85 (20.85).

um u.15.30. CST 527.80. 8.65 (Lm 61) 1, Jungle Damoer (D Holland, 7-1); 2, Marzoor Sayadan (7-1); 3, Casille Courgeous (11-4 fay). 6 ran. Nk, 2, NF Barrish, N Stoute, Tole, 22: 10; 52.05, 51.90, 51.90. DF: 522.90. CSF: 550 13. Tricast

eT.90.DF-E) 90. CSF-EV 10. Trifn 44.96eec.
A.25 (Im 80 1, Im/SS PRIU IP) DE Bugge, 6-1;
Private Flandscapper's top ratingly 2. Awal
Pat Ecideny, 5-2 fast; 3. Top Royal (W
Carson, 6-1). ALSO RAIS: 3 Turgeney (4th), 6
Themada (5th), 10 King's Treasure (6th), 10
Rolling The Bones, 16 Castilist, 8 and 25tl,
164, 2. WI, 164. Pat Mitchell et Newmarkst.
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S.D0 (1m.27 )vdj 1, SARAH-CLARS (L. Carter.
7-2 ji-lev); 2, Switt. Stiver (P. Bowe, 5-1); 3,
Trimbalins (Sheron Milant, 7-2 ji-lev); ALSO
RAN: 7-2 ji-lev Transty Auctioner (201), 8
Alammera (4th), 12 Hills of Hoy, 18 Smartis
Lee, 18-The Yomper. 33 Dominart Foreign
Edit) 8 ran. Hci. 2, hd, 10, 11 R Alammera (5th) 9 ran. Hci. 2, hd, 10, 11 R Alammera Egecom. Totar 23,50; £1.80, £2.30, £1.80, DF.

Yarmouth

Going: good 8.20 (6 3yd) 1, Spring High (G Bardwell, 7 1); 2, Linze State Li (6-1); 3, Year, (7-2 Jan), 5 cas, Nr. 254, K Ivory, Tota: 213,00, 22,80 (1-14), E140, DF: E19.80, CSF: 636.23 Tricest: E15.584. 7.00 (7f Syd) 1, Miss Paynuz (I. Piggott, 6-4 feel; 2, Lofty Deed (11-1); 3, Anri Coubis (6-4); 5 mm. 1 M., 2 M. Mrs. I. Piggott. Tota: 52,00; 51,10, 52,20, DF: 54,40, CSP. 211,52. 8.00 (67 3)(0) 1, Tajch (64 HBs, 20-1); 2, Royal Plax (7-1); 3, Jalkan (4-7 hr), 9,nan, 4, II. D. Morry, Totac E22.10; E3.70, E1.70, E1.10. OF: E64.80. CSP; £139.09 8.30 (1m 6f 17/xt) 1, Drought (L Detrot, 7-4 ter); 2, Sparker Geba (18-1); 3, Sharp Top (4-1), 7 cm, 3151, 1l. M Stoute, Tote: £2.40; £2.40; 23.50. SF: £21.70. CSF: £24.07.

leckpot: £254.10. Plesepot: \$10.20.

Catterick Bridge

Going: good to limb 2.30 (7) 1, Credit Squeszes (R Hills, 3-1); 2, Mr Cube (2-1 km); 3, Sulfato River (9-4) 2, 8, nn. 4, 22, R Johnson Houghton, Tools 24, 50; 21,40, 21,10, 21,10, DF: 25,50, CSF: 59,45. E1.40, E1.10, E1.10, DF: 25.50, CSF: 29.45, 3.00 (E1.23) d1. Crept Out, (N. Connorton, 15-6 May); 2. Langtonian (15-6 May); 3. Nordcore (12-9, 6 san. NF: Scotton, 114, sh. hd. Miles S. Hell, Toke: E2.80; E1.30, E1.30 (Fr. 21.80); 25.57, 25.57, 25.30 (fm. 71.1774); 1. Shay Mover (J. Farring, 25-7); 2. Heaverly Wasters (3-1 lay); 3. Dei Sound (10-1), 10 ran. NF: Court My Bleasings. Nic. St. W. Stotry, Teta: 290, 10; E4.50, E1.40, E2.30, DF: 258.00, CSF: 687.28 Tricest: E883.12. 100-385 2093-12. 4.05 (5/ 272/cf) 1, Night Melody (M Hills., 11-4); 2. Glowing Valus (100-30); 3. Conspicu-cus (6-11 law). 3 nin. 2, 1 M. R Hisman. Tolsc 23.60. DF: 25.10. CSF: 25.65. 4.40 (im 71 177)d) 1, Ber Billiande (T Chirm, 11-10 lay); 2, Nistral Exchange (7-1), 3, Gloving Devil (3-1), 4 ran, 31, 201, R Johnson Houghise, Trass E1.90, DP: 24.40, CSE: 27.50.

27.50. 5.10 (7) 1. Lease It To Lib (J Teta, 5-1); (1) Mary Machiele S3-1); 3. Standing Way (12-1). Earchaise S tay, 11 ran, NR; Caman Valley Til, 15. P Calver, Tothe 250; 22.30, 27.20, 52.70, 07; 9360.20, CSF; 2117.84. Those's E1,677.09. Planapot: 5386.38. Hamilton Park

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3.50 TATTERSALLS MAJDEN AUCTION SERIES STAKES (2-Y-0. £2,454-61) (5)

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(2) Server (7) 6

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7-2 Hawaii Storm, 9-2 Orisosii Merun, 5-1 Tara's Detight. 6-1 GianeBarne, 7-1 Sandmoor Denan, 10-1 Certain Lady, 12-1 Top One.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Mrs. A Whideld, 4 winners from 12 nomers, 33 3%, J Berry, 25 from 121, 20,7%; M Prescott, 15 from 77, 18,5%; W O'Gorman, 25 from 129, 19 4%, C Cycer, B from 46, 17,4%, R Americang, 5 from 35, 14,3%.

POCKEYS\* T Rogers, 3 winners from 4 roles, 75.0%; W Harris, 3 from 9, 35.3%, N Day, 14 from 87, 16 1%, Emzna O'Corman, 21 from 133, 15 8%, G Duffield, 31 from 215, 14 4%, G Carter, 29 from 202, 14 4%

Johnson Houghton double

BLEWBURY trainer Fulke Johnson Hough-

4.20 SHOOSMITH & HARRISON

4.55 RED ADMIRAL HANDICAP

CLAIMING STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,217.7f) (4)

## Central City to regain best form

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#### CENTRAL City can capture the Hackwood Stakes at Newbury today in the care of Pat Eddery, who has a vested interest since he also owns her

dam, Miss Silca Key. Since her attention was turned to sprinting after she failed to last a mile in the 1,000 Guineas, Central City has run only one slightly disappointing race and that as when seventh in the Cork and Orrery Stakes at Royal Ascot

In order to win today, Central City must certainly do better since her opposition includes Amigo Menor, Spanish Storm and Montendre, who all finished in front of her at ASCOL

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2.00 Embenkment.

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3.10 Central City.

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5.20 Edipsing.

GOING: GOOD

#45 Only Royale. 4.20 POKER CHIP (nap).

Our Newmerket Correspondent: 3.45 Only Royale.

2.00 EBF ECCHINSWELL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,850: 6f 8yd) (15 rugners)

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

That she is capable of doing so was made clear when she finished in front of Amigo Menor in France last time, when they were second and eighth respectively in the group three Prix de Ris-Orangis at Evry.

Today's race is only a listed race, the like of which Central City won at Lingfield at the end of May, having previously been runner-up to Prince Ferdinand in the Sandy Lane Stakes at Haydock.

It is that performance which

THUNDERER

2.00 Embankment.

3.45 Only Royale. 4.20 Kimbolion Korker.

4.50 Prince Sobur,

3.10 CENTRAL CITY (nap).

sticks in my mind because Prince Ferdinand went on to win the Jersey Stakes at Royal Scot before being beaten by the much-improved Toussaud

at Newmarket Only Royale, who won her first race in a hack canter at Edinburgh, as well she should have done in view of the way she then went on to win her only subsequent race here, is taken to give an encore by winning the Birkdale Group

Handicap. My nap, though, is Poker Chip to win the Chattis Hill Maiden Fillies' Stakes. Before she finished third behind Marina Park and Cynic on her debut at York in May, the Ian were placed in the Cherry Balding-trained filly was Hinton Stakes at Newmarket

3.45 BERKDALE GROUP HANDICAP (3-Y-0 filles: £3,850: 1or 21 6yd) (6 runners)

4.20 CHATTIS HILL MAIDEN STAKES

(2-Y-0 fillies: £3,673: 5i 34yd) (10 runners)

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8-653 DAMOND WEDDING 7 (As C Miller) M Garlon 8-5
D11834 GOORLY 9 (D.S) (A Lumbey) W Wajatran 7-7
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at Epsom (7), good to soil). DAZZING FIRE 71 3rd
Selection: CALY ROYALE

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- 1991: WALK IN THE PARK 8-5 A Tucker (25-1) IT Symposis 8 year

FORM FOCUS

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(5) 5-22280 BARDOLPH 31 (F.S) (Sir George Mayeriof) P Calla 5-9-5. T Outra 93
(4) 680-004 HIGH BEACON 16 (F.S) (Sir Realay) K Ballay 5-0-10. R Perrett 93
(7) 105505 GD SOUTH 7 (8, CD.F.E.S) (R. Josephan) J Jerikhis 9-8-6. N Cardisis 96
(2) 4221 CARTANTA 25 (B.D.F) (N Abulla) R Charlon 3-0. Perd Eddery 91
(8) 2022 MILL HOUSE 9 (CD.F) (M Lower) F Orbitality 5-9-0. W Carson 96
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SETTING: 9-4 Cardenia, 3-1 Berdelph, 4-1 Med House, 11-2 Prince Solver, 7-1 First Victory, 10-1 Ge South, High Decese, Stimut, 16-1 Stehdjat,

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(1) 052-203 SOLPSING 13 (D.G.) (J Time) R Counton 4-9-4...
(2) 000-341 MOSSY ROSE 101 (D.S.) (AS SOLP) Lard Hurshydon 5-9-5...
(3) 0000-02 KEEP YOUR WORD 9 (D.G.) (ARS 8 Syley) G Baiding 6-7-12...

BETTING: 5-2 Editoring, 7-2 Messy Rose, 4-1 Alexand, Keep Your Word, 9-2 Editoriale, 7-1 Varborough Lad. 1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE FORM FOCUS

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COURSE SPECIALISTS

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- 1991: BRANDON PRINCE 3-8-6 R Cockerns (100-30) i Baldino 7 mm

4.50 WHITE HORSE HANDICAP (£3,557: 2m) (9 runners)

BROCKTON DANCER 11/4 An. KAMBOLTON KORKER (trailed Apr 22) is a half-clear, by internal, to foreign factor, whose over 2 as a pownite.

PETONE LABLL (May 4) is a half-clear, by Polony, to Arabellogiil, a winner over 5-67 as a pownite and three-year-old. SARASWATI (Feb 12) is a half-clear, by Marshingh, to unstall pownite agricular Polisiante.

Selection: POKSR CHIP

backed as if defeat was not even contemplated.

While neither Cynic nor Poker Chip have run in the meantime, Marina Park has. And in finishing fourth in the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot before beating the subsequent Nottingham winner, Joyofracing, at Sandown, she made it abundantly clear that the form of that race at York reads well.

So Poker Chip is taken to take a leaf from out of her book by frustrating the unfortunate Simply Sooty yet again. With the form of the Queen Mary Stakes standing up so well - the second and third were placed in the Cherry

fifth at Royal Ascot after winning her first three races. should pick up the winning trail by landing the Westow Stakes at Thirsk.

At Newmarket this evening. Polonez Prima and Little Rousillon, who finished second and third respectively in the race won by Sahel at the July meeting, can pick up consolation prizes by landing the Kidsons Impey Trophy and the Antec International Handicap respectively.

Earlier, Spring is taken to show that she is likely to develop into a filly of group winning status, which belits her pedigree, by winning the King's Gap Stakes.

#### Norton and Pears win cup appeal

TRAINER Steve Norton and apprentice Ollie Pears yesterday won their appeal against the disqualification of Mr Confusion from first place in the John Smith's Magnet Cup

at York last Saturday.
The Jockey Club's disciplinary committee overturned the York stewards' decision to demote the horse for interfering with third-placed Steerforth, and cleared Pears of careless riding.

The original finishing order now stands, with Mr Confu-sion first, Tell No Lies awarded the race on Saturday - second and Steerforth third. The committee heard evi-

dence from all the jockeys involved, including Mark Birch, who rode Tell No Lies, and Michael Roberts, who partnered Steerforth. Norton's solicitor, Jeremy Richardson, said: "The com-

mittee decided there was interference but it was accidental and they reversed the placings. It means that Ollie Pears's caution no longer applies."
Pears said: "It's brilliant. 1

was very sick after we lost the race but I am very pleased for the horse, the owner and everyone at the stable." Mr Confusion was demoted

to third after he was found to have carried Steerforth left under pressure inside the final furiong with Pears holding his whip in his right hand. Barnsley-based Norton,

who missed the hearing because he is on holiday in Spain, had been highly critical of the stewards' verdict and Roberts's riding of Steerforth. But Richardson added: 'Michael Roberts could not have been fairer in the evidence he gave both at York and here today. I would like to stress that, because he has been subjected to a lot of

adverse criticism."



York stewards

#### 6 BOISTERIOUS 11 (Miss E Rossell) W Midd 9-0 DARY SPORT DOU (Polideoir Ltd) R Hamon 9-0 63 EMBANDAENT 21 (Ltdy Termind) R Hamon 9-0 GALLOP TO GLURRY (6 Stainberg) P Mischell 9-0 HIGHERMO HOST (Lord Challedy) J Dwilop 9-0 05 LIRCOLN AMP 11 (R Higsel) A Moore 9-0 3 HORFOLK HERD 27 (Lady Walls) D Mastey Strike 9-0 RESPALECT (6 Miss) R Hamon 9-0 BESSET THE ETITIES R Control 9-0 101 102 163 104 105 106 A Moore Put Edday M Federa Pat Eddary — M /no att 64 M Pat Swinburn — B Rouse 70 R Pedem (3) T Calor L Descri RESPLISETT (G Mize) R Hannen 9-0. RESST THE FORCE (R Cycar) C Cyzer 9-0 SEA BANCH 11 (Sever Seas Racing) M Blassbert 9-9. SHAMAM (F AL-Makigura) P Walsayn 9-0. 24 SOLEL RAYON 35 (D Morn) M McCorraed 9-0. CURSURY GLANCE (Mar C Winser) A Scot 8-9. FRIVOLOUS AR (P Melion) I Baiding 8-0. W Gusce -L Piggott 66 B Raymond -R Cochrane -U Williams --5-2 Embankment, 4-1 Nortolk Haro, 5-1 Daily Sport Dos, Physican Air, 6-1 Swint Reyen, 8-1 Custory -1 Highland Host, Starman, 12-1 Regulant, 16-1 rejuic. 1891: MIGHT MANDELVISES 9-0 C Buller (8-4) H Covely 18 mm FORM FOCUS EMBANGMENT about a mack 3of of 8 to Peter Stores to a unastes of Southward (FG, grant to feet). The off as a first-part odd. Date S witness as a subpict HEPA-RAID HOST (Apr 1) to a bell-brother, by SOLES, RAYMON 71 who of 6 to Part Lissue is a condition of Southward (E.), good to feet). DALY SPORT DOR (finaled for 21, see 2.800(pm) to a bit-brother, by Shadeed, to Apholysis, 77 where as a condition of Southward (E.) of the Peter Southward (E.) of the Southward (E.) Peter T DOR (finaled for 21, see 2.800(pm) to a bit-brother, by Shadeed, to Apholysis, 77 where as a brother by Shadeed, to Apholysis, 77 where as a filler 12 is by Engage Alf, not of sprint dam.

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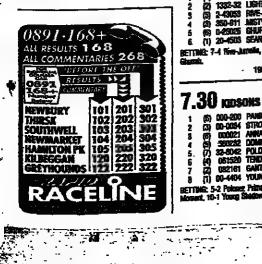
#### **Curley could** quit training

BARNEY Curiey said yester day that he is considering giving up training due to the dreadful state of racing's fi-nances (Richard Evans

"I had 25 horses. I've sold 10 or 12 and if I can sell the rest I am out." Curley said. "Racing is going down the tubes every day and there is no-one doing anything about

"At Yarmouth on Wednesday night there was a good race with a couple of expensive horses in it, yet the winner would have been lucky to take home £1,000, which wouldn't

pay a month's training fees. "I am no longer prepared to burn money," the Newmarket trainer added. "I will hand in my trainer's licence if I can sell the horses. If not, I will carry



MANDARIN THUNDERER 6.30 Sheriffmuir 6.30 Spring. 7.00 Seen's Scholar. 7.30 Polonez Prima. 7.00 Rive-Jumede 7.30 Strong Suit 8.00 Little Rousilion 8.00 Little Rousillon. 8.30 Dayflower. 9.00 Many A Quest 9.00 Crystado. RICHARD EVANS: 6:30 SPRING (nap). -7:30 Tender Moment. 8:30 Dayflower. Our Newmarkst Correspondent: 7.30 POLONEZ PRIMA (nap). 8.30 Dayflower. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 7.30 POLONEZ PRIMA.

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ton, who first visited Catterick 20 years ago, returned to the Yorkshire course yesterday to land a double with Credit Squeeze in the Wood House Maiden Auction Stakes and Bar Billiards in the Grove Maiden Stakes. Heavenly Waters, his third runner, was beaten a neck.

#### **HAMILTON PARK**

6.45 Danza Heights. 7.15 Able Lassie. 7.45 Plying Down To Rio. 8.15 Murray's Mazda. 8.45 Be Polite. 9.15 Prince Belfort.

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6.45 GINESTRI ICE CREAM HANDICAP (\$2,406: 1m 4f 17yd) (7 runners)

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7.15 CLYDE CLAIMING STAKES (£2,259; 1m 3f 16yd) (4)

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20. 19.75. J Waves. 3 warmers from 11 state. 27.25. J Carnil, 38 from 197, 19.25; Dean McKeever, 37 from 207, 17.95; K Darley, 30 from 198, 19.25; J Farrerg, 11 from 86, 12.65; M Birch, 18 from 198, 11.05. (NOT Including yestercay's results)

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8.15 CAROUSEL SNOWBALL SELLING **STAKES** (3-Y-0; £2,280; 6f 5yd) (6)

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8.45 JOE PUNTER NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £2,454: 5l 4yd) (4)

9.15 TRABROUN HANDICAP (£2,196: 51 4yd) (5)

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☐ Ladbrokes cut Kayvee from 14-1 to 12-1 for the Stewards Cup following sustained support. Double Blue remains the 9-1 favourite.



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West Indies fast bowler nears peak form and fitness

#### Bishop sweeps through dispirited Hampshire

PORTSMOUTH (final day of three): Derbyshire (24pts) beat Hampshire (2) by an innings and 135 runs

DEVASTATING fast bowling by Ian Bishop enabled Derbyshire to complete an emphatic win yesterday with disdainful ease. Bishop fin-ished with seven for 34, the best figures of his career, as Hampshire's last nine wickets fell in just under two and a championship hopes badly

There was no resistance apart from a seventh wicket stand of 64 in 22 overs, between Nicholas and Parks, as Hampshire crashed to their third championship defeat in their last four matches. They looked a thoroughly dispirited

COUNTY TABLE

throughout. It was Derbyshire's fourth championship

have troubled any side in this form as he consistently bowled at his fastest and most hostile. He regularly obtained high

missed in the day's second had made 241 the previous over. Gower drove loosely day. Bishop's success con-firmed his recovery after the back operation that forced outside the off sturnp against Bishop and was caught behind. Mortensen had Smith him to miss the World Cup. It tried to square cut before Bishop claimed Middleton, also underlined the threat he will be — in harness with Ambrose — when he returns to James and Marshall in six Test match play this winter in

some way to go before reaching his peak again but admitted later that this success would be a boost to his confidence. His previous best bowling was six for 39 for the West Indians against Kent in 1988 and in the championship, six for 67 against Leices-

Bishop believes he still has

A rapid finish was inevitable when Hampshire lost five wickets in the first 45 minutes, four of them to Bishop in 28 balls. Hampshire's collapse

#### Leatherdale claims centre stage

WORCESTERSHIRE could have been forgiven had they abandoned all thoughts of victory over Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge yesterday when their three leading bats-men — Curtis, Hick and Moody - were dismissed in the space of five balls with only one run on the board (Geof-

A target of 259 looked a

CHESTER-LE-STREET (final

day of three): The Pakistanis beat Durham by 107 runs

DEAN Jones likes playing against Pakistan. In 1990 he

scored a century in both

innings for Australia against them at Adelaide. Yesterday

he repeated the feat in rather

more homely surroundings,

in spite of batting for most of

his second innings with a

suspected broken finger after

being hit by Wasim Akram

Although obviously in in-

creasing pain, it did not deter

him. Mushtaq was again put

to the sword, Ata-ur-Rehman

dismissed almost contemptu-

ously, and Wasim taken on

and conquered as hooks, cuts

and drives flowed from his

It was an innings worthy of

setting records, and it did, the

Australian becoming the first

early in his innings

wickets to spare as David Leatherdale made only his second century in five seasons and Neal Radford scored an unbeaten 73, his highest for the county. They added 110 for the lifth wicket.

Essex increased their lead at the head of the table to 37 points by beating Gloucestershire by four wickets at Southend, Mark Waugh leading them to their goal of 335 by

Jones passes milestone

BY PETER BALL

cause. With Botham nursing

his chipped thumb, he found

little support as Wasim and

Wagar went about their work with ruthless efficiency to take

the touring side to its seventh

win in nine games against the

Counties, and a step nearer winning the £50,000 Tetley

Bitter Challenge.
Jones made Pakistan work

for it. It was his final appear-

ance in the county before he

returns to ioin the Australian

After some soul-searching

Jones has decided to delay his

return to Australia long

enough to play in the NatWest

Trophy quarter-final against

Leicestershire, provided the

weather is fine enough to

He dismissed any thoughts

of his finger preventing him

from playing, and intends to play today. "Fast bowiers play with sore ankles, batsmen

allow a finish in one day.

squad to tour Sri Lanka.

only 110 balls. Even Walsh was unable to slow him. Foster, although unfit to bowl, made 40 as 116 were added for the sixth wicket in 16 overs.

Although Phil Carrick took his 1,000th wicket for Yorkshire, on his fortieth birthday. Warwickshire beat them by three wickets at Sheffield. Northamptonshire's efforts to force a win over Middlesex at Uxbridge were foiled by a

not have gone flat out in the

first innings, but they were steaming in, there wern't many balls to drive," he

if the Pakistani bowiers

were "Nedded" on Wednes-

day. Larkins was very prompt-

ly "Waqar-ed" yesterday, yorked first ball by a very fast

Glendenen somehow sur-

vived a tortid examination by

the fast bowlers to keep Jones

halting company for a stand of

128 in 25 overs, and at tea.

Durham could still harbour

thoughts of an unlikely victory.

interval promptly removed them. Glendenen fell to a ball

of full length, Parker, who

never looked comfortable, was

out hooking and Briers was

of the innings, taking four for

19 in two spells, and with no.

Waqar had broken the back

trapped next ball.

Wagar's return after the

#### Jung falls short of

Middleton and James were

leg-before to consecutive balls,

both full tosses that landed on the boot. Bishop spared Mar-

shall nothing and quickly had

him held at third slip from a lifting ball as Marshall pushed forward despairingly. Inevita-bly the pressure eased when

Bishop went off with figures of

four for 15 in seven overs.

Nicholas and Parks attempted

nothing against balls that could be left alone. Malcolm

looked tame by comparision with Bishop and Cork unsuc-

cessfully tried to bowl too fast.

nate at 21, with the score 123,

to be missed at second slip by

Cork off Mortensen. Derbyshire were also convinced that Krikken had held a leg-side catch by Nicholas off Cork just

After the interval, Bishop

returned and took two more

wickets in successive overs. Parks dabbed his first ball to

third slip and Udal fell to a

good, diving catch down the leg side by Krikken. Warner

then had Nicholas leg-before as he tried to work a ball to the

leg side and followed by

before lunch.

Nicholas, though, was fortu-

AMIR Bin Jung, the out-standing performer in the European Cricketer Cup, provided a fitting finale to the competition yesterday as the Germans earned a three-wicket victory over France in the final (a Special Correspondent writes). Jung, who had already scored over 220 runs in his previous four innings, had struck ten fours and a six, when, just one short of what would have been the tournsment's first century, he was clean bowled by Sultan Shahzada.

However, by the time he was out, Germany were already well on their way to victory after restricting the French to 174 for nine off their allotted overs. Shahzada, with 38, and Cijit Karunaratne, with 27, impressed but both were out to Sanjeev Taneja, who took four for 29 from five overs. PINAL RESULT: Germany 177 for 7, France 174 for 8 Germany won by three

## his century

Surrey (8) by 72 runs AFTER bowling Kent out in the second innings for 332, Surrey were left to make 149 to win in 43 overs at Guidford yesterday. Instead they were bowled out themselves for 76 in 36.2 overs, leaving Kent the improbable winners of what had developed into a thoroughly good match.

GUILDFORD (final day of

three): Kent (19pts) beat

Having played the better cricket for two and a half days. Surrey will be very disappointed. It was not that they set about their second innines too casually or too confidently. With David Ward able to bat only under the handicap of a broken thumb, they would have known they could take nothing for granted. But of those most likely to see them home Stewart hit a long hop to long leg after he and Darren Bicknell had scored 28 in only five overs, and Lynch was run out by Benjamin, though by then the initiative was with

catches by Trevor Ward and Fleming, 30 yards from the bat, made all the difference. Surrey still passed 50 in the fifteenth over, though, with only Stewart out. That Kent took nine wickets after that for 26 runs was cricketing opportunism at its best. And even that would not

Launch pad: Four more wickets for Martin Bicknell yesterday at Guildford

Hooper does it naturally

By JOHN WOODCOCK

pitches, and Kent bowled

properly and three good low

It was not the easiest of

lovely innings by Carl Hooper. With the day still young Kent were only nine runs ahead in their second innings with the rest of their batting gone. But the bowlers gave their West Indian a helping hand, besides seeing him well past, what was, surprisingly only his 13th hundred in nine years of first-class cricket and 163 in-

Several of Kent's other batsmen seemed besotted with the idea of 'playing the line' which, to the uninitiated, makes it look as if they have played and missed, whereas in fact they have shaped a firm-

the ball so as to keep out of trouble. It is in no way an instinctive process. But Hooper, however, was splen-did. His one big slice of luck was when he was 31 and Thorpe put him down at third slip off Benjamin, the ball passing through his upstretched hands. It was a sharp chance but a

footed stroke inside the line of

. crucial one. Hooper communed have been possible but for a to play just as he had from the time he came in on Wednesday evening, nothing appearing to disconcert him. No helmet for him, no playing inside the line. He is one of the great natural cricketers of the day.

☐ Roger Harper, the West Indies Test player, scored 81 from 76 balls as the Rest of the World side crushed Wales by 213 runs in a 50 overs match yesterday at Christ College, Brecon, Sunil Gavaskar, with 48, and Mark Greatbatch's 68 helped take their score to 283 for siz. The home batsmen went for 70 in 34.2

W Laters b Wager
J D Glendenen Dw b Wager
D M Jones b Weetrn
P W G Parter C Mushtag b Wager
M P Rivers Dw b Wager

Extras (b 1, ib 8, nb 11) .....

Umpher: H D Gird and M J Herrig.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-129, 3-159, 4-159, 5-171, 6-186, 7-187, 8-193, 5-198.

BOWLING: Wastrn 17-2-65-3; Wager 17.1-5-22-5, Rehman 8-2-39-1; Mushteq 6-1-36 D: Seim-7-0-28-0.

OTHER MATCHES: Christ College Bracon: Flest of the World XI: 283 for 6 at 50 overs (R A Harper 81, M J Greatbatch 60), Wates 70 all out at 34.2 overs. Fleet of the World XI won by 213 runs.

The Ovel: Surrey II 187-8 dec & 285-9d England U-19 222-5dec & 198-5, England U-19 won by 5 wickets.

MinOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP-Fenner's: Buckinghernshire. 154-6 doc and 176 (S M Staammer SO, A R K Pletaon 7-57). Cambridgeshire 176-4 doc and 158-3 (G W Ecclestone 84). Cambridgeshire won by 7

TOUR MATCH: Hertford: Transvani 285-dec and 221-4 (S-Jecoba 70); Hertfordshim 183 and 174 (M Stater 73; M Van Drau 5

Former Australian test criclester Johnny Martin, aged 60, clied of a heart effects at his home in New South Wales on Thursday, He semed farme by taking the wickets of three top West Indian betermen in the space of bur belief.

P Hughes not out ...... E Brown b Wegar .... Bothern absent Injure

Total (9 wids) ......

TENNIS

#### **McEnroe** bows to buoyant Bates

By BARRY WOOD

FIRST Wimbledon, now this. These are halcyon days if Jeremy Bates and after yesterday defeating John McEnroe 6-2, 1-6, 6-4 in the second round of the Nations Bank Classic in Washington, the British No. I may be entitled to ask himself the fabled "what

if" question. Bates, who squandered a match point against Guy For-get for a quarter-final meeting with McEnroe at Wimbledon, described the victory, on a sticky humid evening, as one of the best of his career, but the outcome was in the balance until the very end. Indeed, Bates was down an early break in the final set and facing McEnroe's service at 3-4 bis

fore he had a sniff of a chance.
"The match turned around at the last minute. He played very well in the second set and I got crunched, and until 4-3 I never even got close to breaking him," he said.

The opportunity came when McEnroe was disturbed by a line-call at 15-30 then Bates hit two service returns to level at 4-4. "I don't know if he tightened up or was a bit overconfident, but he eased off in that service game," Bates, who then broke again for victory when leading 5-4, said. It was the first time Bates had met McEmoe in a tournament.

To complete the tourns-ment promoter's nightmare the Wimbledon champion. Andre Agassi, lost 7-5, 6-4 to Kevin Curren.

| Frankfurt: At the Federa-

tion Cup here. Germany, the top seeds, will play the United States, seeded sixth, in the semi-finals after overwhelming Poland. Steffi Graf allowed Kata-

rzyna Nowak just 15 points as she won 6-0, 6-0, and Anke Huber dropped just three games against Magdalena Mroz. The Americans sealed their place at the expense of France by winning the deciding doubles.

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BY JOHN WATSON

THE semi-finals of the British Open championship for the Cowdray Park Gold Cup were decided at Midhurst, Sussex, yesterday with an 11-9 victory for Black Bears against Tramontana and a 9-8 win for Santa Fe (received one) against Ellerston Black in

extra-time. The Black Bears opened the first duel's account and remained in the lead. Their cohesion is not so evident the season in Tramontana, who hold the cup, and whose lynch-pin, Carlos Gracids. seems less happy with his

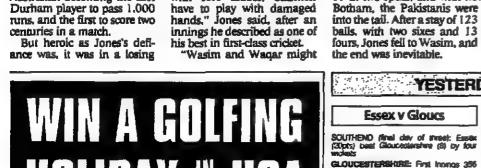
team's composition. Santa Fe's eight-goal New Zealander, Forsyth, scored his team's winner in extra-time from a melee. The final will be at Cowdray

Park on Sunday afternoon. PATK OII SUIDDAY STRETHOOD.
BLACK BEARS: 1, U Schwarzenbuch (!):
2, S. Merice (B): 3, P. Merice (B): Back M.
TRAMONTANA: 1, A Embiroos (2): 2, M.
Vidou (7): 3, C. Gracida (10): Back Prince of Wales (3).
SANTA PE: 1, T. Sustanting (3): 2, C. Poopylii
(8): 3, M. Heguy (10): Back M. Bond Ellott
(1): BLERSTON BLACK: 1, A Seithet (17:2, A.
Cambiago (9): 3, A. Pieres (10): Back J.
Packer (3).

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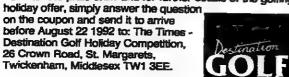


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NORMAL TIMES PROMOTIONS COMPETITION RULES APPLY

**Essex v Gloucs** 

SOUTHEND (final day of street; Essex (20sts) beat Gloucestershire (8) by four wickels GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 356 for 8 dec (G D Hodgson 147, A J Winght 69. M C kell 5 for 79) Second Imings

© D Hodgson & Gernham b Andrew CW J Amey c liot b Shehid 'A J Wight & Weugh b Childs M W Alleyne & Waugh b Shahid Total (4 wids dec) .

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-82, 2-131, 3-176, 4-201. BOWLING. Andrew 15-1-40-1, flot 9-0-45-0; Chick: 19-3-60-1, Shahid 6-0-31-2. Prichard 3-0-45-0; Waugh 1-0-4-0 ESSEX: First torongs 252 (M E Waugh ?4, C Walth 4 to 48)

Second invings M E Waugh not out .. .. 

FALL OF WICKETS 1-81, 2-81, 3-158, 4-186, 5-181, 6-297 BOWLING: Waish 15-0-75-0; Smith 10-0-49-1, Babrington 3-0-30-0. Scott 6-0-31-1, Davies 9.5-2-61-0, Allayrie 11-1-53-1, Allay 4-0-29-0 Umpues: N T Pleus and V A Holder

COFFLECTION: Essex first mings: P J Prichard c Russel b Walsh 8, not as previously published

Surrey v Kent GUILDFORD (final day of three). Kent 19pts) beet Surrey (8) by 72 runs

SURREY: First Immigs 301 for 8 dec. (G f Thorpe 52) D J Beskriell the b Eatharn Stewart c loglesden b McCegue Thorpe c Ward b Eathern 

FALL OF WICKETS 1-28, 2-53, 3-54, 4-63, 5-63, 6-68, 7-72, 8-72, 9-76

BOWLING: Igglescien 11, 2-2-34-2, McCague 12-4-21-3; Eathern 6-0-11-2, Efision 7-2-9-2 KENT: First Innerga 117 (J.E.Benjamin 5 for 29, M.P. Bicknell 4 for 47) 

R M Elison not out ...... M J McCague c Sargeant b M P Boknet 

FALL OF WICKETS 1-116, 2-121, 3-166, 4-188, 5-193, 6-244, 7-302, 8-308, 9-332, Umpres. J H Hams and G A Stokley

**Notts v Worcs** 

THENT BRIDGE (final day of times) Worcestershire (22pts) beat Motting hamshire (6) by tive wokets

M A Crawley c Hick b Mempor P R Pollard c Rhodes b Stamp "R T Robinson not out .... P Johnson not out .... Extras (to 3, nb 3) Total (2 wids dec) . FALL OF WICKETS 1-53, 2-65 BOWLING: Radiord 6-1-17-0; Lampin 3-0-17-0; Illingworth 14-3-47-0; Newport 4-1-15-1; Stemp 9-1-35-1; Mondy 3-0-25-0; Curtis 2-0-17-0

WORCESTERISHIFAE: First lymings 318 for 6 dec (G A Hick 213 not out) Second Immigs

SECOND IMMINES

"I S Curits b Carmis

W P C Weston c Cramley b Afford

G A Held tips b Carets

T M Moody c French b Lews

D A Leatherdale low b Lews

N Y Radford not out

S R Lempit not out

S R Lempit not out. FALL OF WICKETS 1-0, 2-0, 3-1, 4-117, 5-227. BOWLING: Calms 13-1-52-2: Lewis 15 5-2-51-2: Field-Buss 12-2-50-0, Alford 13-0-64-1. Crawley 1-1-0-0, Evans 7-2-31-0

Umpires: B.J. Meyer and P.B. Wight.

Yorks v Warwicks Second trainings 

YESTERDAY'S BRITANNIC ASSURANCE COUNTY CHAMPIONS HIP SCORES

Total (no wkł dec) ..... BOWLING: Lloyd 5-0-34-0: Moles 4-0-27-0. WARNICKSHIRE: First Innings 88 for 0 dec (BOWLING: Jan's 7-3-16-0; Harley 8-3-9-0; Robinson 8-1-27-0; Carrick 11-2-20-0; Beity 5-2-9-0.

Total (7 wide) ..... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-76, 3-102, 4-139, 5-212, 6-249, 7-257 BOWLING: Janus 16-1-50-2, Hanley 16-3-47-1; Robinson 16:3-1-65-3; Bathy 14-2-45-0. Camok 28-6-69-1

Hants v Derbyshire

PORTSMOUTH (final day of livee): Derby-stive (24pts) best Hampshire (2) by an innings and 135 runs IFEE: Pirst Immigs 158 (D I Gower

T C Middleton turb Betrop ...
V P Temy low b Betrop ...
U Gower C Kritian b Betrop ...
I Gower C Kritian b Betrop ...
M C J Nicholas low b Warner ...
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M D Marshall c Adams b Betrop ...
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S D Udel c Kritien b Betrop ...
C A Commor not out ... Estres (fb 6, nb 4) . ...

FALL OF WICKETS 1-3, 2-82, 3-95, 4 5-103, 8-103, 7-167, 8-176, 9-176 90WLING Bishop 16-7-34-7, Malc 2-80-0; Cork 8-1-28-0, Mortensen 1, Warner 8.3-3-10-2. DERBYSHIRE: First triange 475 for 4 dec. IP D Bowler 241. T J G O'Gormen 95, D G Impres: R Palmer and R A Whee.

Middx v Northants **(IORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 389** (K.M.Cuman 82, A.J.Lamb 65, N.A.Felton 52)

CHELTENHAM: Glouce N A Fordham of Heynes b France
N A Ferton am out
N A Feston am out
A J Lanbo c and b Emburey
D J Capel c Roseberry b Emburey

Dates (0 4, 0 2, c) 5) ... Total (5 wids dec) . BOWLING: Frager 10-0-32-1; Teytor 8-4-18-0: Emburey 9.3-1-48-3; Tutnell 8-1-42-0. MIDDLESEX: First knings 230 for 5 dec (D L. Haynes 127, M.R. Ramprakash 54) Second imings O L Haynes low b Taylor M A Rosebany c Fation b Taylor M W Gatting c Capel b Curran M R Rampralesh low b Ambros

K M Curren not out 10 Ripley not out ...

M H Hamprakesh low b Anthrose ...
JD Carr c Lamb b Cook ...
K R Brown c and b Roberts ...
JE Emburey not out
D W Headley c Taylor b Roberts ...
A R C Freser not out Extras to 4, to 21 . ....

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-44, 3-51, 4-151, 5-171, 8-231, 7-245. Tetley Challenge match

Durham v Pakistanis CHESTER-LE-STREET (final day of three) Palestania beet Durham by 107 runs PAKISTANIS: Piret Innings 308 for 7 der [real Majacon 78, Patrier Seriel 53, Mich Johan 53]

Second Innings Agmer Schall bue b Brown
Remiz Pela c Parker b Briefs
Agif Mulitabs b McEwen
Salim Malife c Glendenen b McEwen
Wasm Akram c Brown b Beny
"Leved Misndad c Parker b Jones
Holm Nan not out dras (b 13, w 2, nb 3) \_\_\_\_

Total (6 wks dec) 338
FALL OF WICKETS 1-139, 2-160, 3-194, 4-214, 5-247, 6-339
SCMUNG: McClean 15-2-65-2 Brown 16-3-59-1, Hughes 15-2-41-6, Blens 14-0-89-1, Beny 12-2-57-1, Jones 1-4-0-81. DURHAM: Pirst Innings 341 for 4 dec (D M Janes 145, W Larkins 118)

A STOP WEST Britannic Assurance county champlonship 11,0, 110 overs minimum SOUTHEND: Essex v Sussex

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Burrell and Christie offer sneak preview

## Jackson looking to clear his final hurdle in build-up

By DAVID POWELL, ATHERICS CORRESPONDENT

ONLY 15 days before one of Olympic 100 metres champion, Leroy Burrell and Linford Christie go through their paces at the Vauxhall invitation meeting in Gateshead tonight. Persuading Burrell to show his face in a second division meeting so close to the Olympic Games is something of an accomplishment by Andy Norman, Britain's promotions officer, we should not complain too loudly that Burrell is not in the same race

as Christie. For the third successive British meeting, all tickets are sold but there will not be, one imagines, the cut and thrust there was at Birmingham for the British Olympic trials or at Crystal Palace for the grand prix. The men's high hurdles apart, there is an "excuse-me" look about the start lists that extends beyond Burrell and Christie avoiding each other.

MOSES Kiptamri, the world

3,000 metres steeplechase

champion, yesterday pulled

out of the Kenyan team for the

Olympic Games in Barcelona

because he is suffering from a

knee injury and further ten-

from his nagging injuries and has no realistic chances of

winning a medal at the

Induráin

well set

Miguel Indurain celebrated

his 28th hirthday yesterday, knowing he is well placed to

With yesterday a sess day, the Spanish cyclist chasing his second successive life, relaxed in the knowledge that

he is at least three minutes

ahead of his main rivals. TODAY'S STAGE: Dole to Selot Ger

Robins says no

Whitaker wins

Equestrianism: - Michael

Whitaker maintained the Brit-

ish monopoly of the Dublin

Horse Show as he won the

Kerrygold Speed Challenge

with My Mesieur yesterday. It

was Whitaker's second victory

and brought the Olympics-bound British squad a sixth

Rifle shooting: Epsom College won the Ashburton Shield

in the schools rifle championship at Bisley yesterday, for the third year in succession. They

scored 512 out of a 560 at 300

place by seven points. Grant sought

and 500 yards to beat Mariborough College into second

Rugby league: Wigan have applied for local authority permission and a government

successive win.

Epsom's shield

win the Tour de France.

He has not recovered fully

While Mike Marsh is in the 100 metres, John Regis is in the 300 metres, in Barcelona they will be medal-hunting together, probably for the bronze behind Michael Johnson and Frankie Fredericks. While Liz McColgan is in the 1,500 metres, Elana Meyer is in the 3,000 metres, the two 10,000 metres contenders swapping distances from the ones they ran in Nice on Wednesday, While Danny Everest, the Olympic favourite for the 400 metres, covers that distance tonight, Steve Lewis, the Olympic champion, is in

the 300 metres and Roger Black is not in at all. None of this should be taken as criticism. Athletes must be free to fine-time for the Olympics without pressure from press and spectators; the 12,000 people at Gateshead should consider themselves fortunate that there will at

Games," the Kenyan team chief, Isaiah Kiplagat, said. Kiptamui finished a close sec-

and to his countryman, Paul

Bitok, in the 3,000 metres at

the Nice grand prix meeting on Wednesday night.

☐ Kamy Keshmiri; who failed

discus at the United States Olympic trials, will not appeal

against a four-year ban.

drugs test after winning the

Kiptanui steps down

Colin Jackson, who followed his Commonwealth and Eurorecord of 13,06sec at Crystal Cwmbran on Sunday, seems to be moving inexorably to-wards gold in Barcelona. If Jackson can beat the three Americans, the prize should be his and one of them, Arthur Blake, is back for a third go at Jackson in eight days; so far Blake has not got close. Tony Jamett, the world championships bronze medal winner,

So too has the American Johnny Gray, from the 800 metres, leaving the way clear for Torn McKean, who has progressed steadily after a late start to his season until drop-ping the wrong side of Imin 45sec at Crystal Palace. McKean must win if he is to show he means business.

Marsh finished less than a stride behind Burrell in the United States Olympic 100 metres trial and he will be the one Christie must beat this extaing. Joe Douglas, Bur-rell's manager, is insistent that his athlete's lack of races this season will not diminish his challenge. "Leroy is in very good shape and he will be difficult to beat in Barcelona," Douglas said. "I predict he will take the 100 metres gold." Tonight he will content him-



#### Fairbank in line for promotion

FROM a SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN AUCKLAND

A-LENGTHY injury list has second the Great Britain coach, Malcolm Reilly, to hedge his bets when naming the squad for the final match of the tour, the second international against New Zealand here on Sunday. Reilly amounced a 19-man

squad, which he will pare down to the final XIII after Football: Mark Robins the Manchester United forward, further fitness reports. Denis has rejected a move to the Betts's knee injury is giving most cause for concern but German club, Dynamo Dresveral other £800,000 fee but Robins preminor ailments and Relly felt ferred to stay in this country. that another 24 hours would help him to better assess

A few definite decisions have already been made. Kelvin Skerrett is out, his asthma that flared up again last Sunday, forcing him to be substituted, not being risked again. Karl Harrison carned the deserved promotion after a number of impressive games for the midweek side.

. Also in the squad after showing outstanding form for the second-string team are Deryck Fox, Karl Fairbank, John Devereux, Alan Hunte,

Michael Jackson and Steve Machamara. Two of them are likely to miss out if all the doubtful players prove their fitness but Fox. Fairbank and Devereux look certain of at least earning a place on the

Of the first international side, the substitutes, Joe Lydon and Paul Hulme, have both been dropped. Lydon may feel unlucky, having little opportunity to show his worth as a subsumme, but Huime's dem tion perhaps reflects Reilly's need to find players who can win a game for him. Hulme is a willing detender and a feroclous competitor but he is neither skilled nor powerful enough to put players into ps or break tackles. Fairbank can do both and looks a better bet in a game

GREAT BRITAIN SCLIAD (from); G Seedman (Castleford), M Offish (Wosen), J Dewweux (Widnes), D Powel (Shefineld, G Cormobly (St Heines), P Eastwood (†-bil), S Scholleid (Lects, cspt), S Ethwards (Wigen), D Pox (Pesthenstone), K Harrison (Heilson), L Jackson (†-bil), A Plant (Wigen), K Peirtberik (Bratiord), D Betts (Wigen), M Jackson (Wisheldeld), W Mindlesh (Missel), M

Great Britain must win.



JOHN Daly, the United States PGA champion, took This man, then, was something more than a golfing his slege gun to Muirfield gorilla, but a serious fault in his game became apparant as the round progressed. He was yesterday — and shot his bolt. That is not merely an impartial observer's view, but also his own after a round of 74, seriously wayward with his short irons, pretty well the only irons he is ever called on

three over par.

Since neither of his playing partners, Ian Baker-Finch, the holder, and Sam Torrance. could take advantage of the still conditions, theirs became a match depending for its appeal on the colossal hitting Put the ball on the tee peg

e hit it a foreign count mile (he has never been to Britain before) but put it on a Muirfield fairway and he becomes an ordinary mortal. Nor is he merely a stupen-

dous hitter off the tee, 50 to 60 yards past his playing partners. He also strikes his driver with remarkable He missed the target only

once yesterday, not counting his drive at the 351-yard 2nd. There he was aiming not for the fairway but the green. He was pin high right and then played a beautifully judged pitch and run beside the hole for a birdie. doubting the animal magnetism of the man. In the States, Baker-Finch says, his appearance is accompanied by "whooping and hollering" to the extent that you cannot enjoy the game. Yesterday the gallery, much less boisterous

to play.
Two of his other birdies came at long holes, where he was predictably on in two, and the third by way of a 25-foot putt. But where, we wondered, were the eight and ten footers you would expect from tee shots of more than

He offered the plausible explanation that he could not cope with the fairways. "I hit some great tee shots but the trouble was from 100 yards in, " he said. "The fairways year ago. He was two over are so hard I couldn't get the bali near. Anyone else would have finished eight under

instead of three over. "At home you can hit through more easily; here your club kinda gets stuck. That's something I've got to learn. I should have been able to eat it up in those

All the same there was no

anyway in this country, seemed to regard Daly with an awe that quelled exuberant

The back swing, too, is something to behold, so long that at the top, or rather the bottom, it passes beneath his chin. Impossible, of course, to control ex he does it from tee after tee. Baker-Finch, by contrast, has a classical swing but yesterday his golf lacked the inspiration which brought Royal Birkdale electrifyingly to life a

going out, two under coming home and too disappointed to say too much afterwards. As for Torrance, an addiction to the long-shafted putter seems under considerable strain. Three times he had to wield it at the first green, to establish a bad precedent and only once, on the 11th green, was he able to persuade the

#### Faldo forgets his soul in desire to be Mr Perfect

BY MELWEBB

TALKING to yourself, it is said, is the first sign of madness. In Nick Faldo's case it is more sadness than madness from which he suffers, sadness that he occasionally falls a millimetre short of the perfection that he constantly seeks on the golf course.

At any rate, he was in majestic form yesterday as he chuntered and muttered his way round Muirfield. Honestly, if you had dropped in on him for a few holes in midround, you would have thought he was on his way to an 86, not the beautifully constructed 66 he finished with. He is a hard taskmaster. is Mr Faldo, and the main sufferer is himself.

He made only three real mistakes as he equalled his best start to an Open Championship; the first when he planted his tee shot on the ppening hole into a fairway bunker en route to his only bogey of the day, the second vhen he missed a birdie putt from four feet at the 14th, and the third when he underclubbed himself on the short 16th, but still saved par.

In between and beyond he played some magnificent, very nearly faultless golf. And never stopped moaning. If there is criticism to be made of Faldo's game — and you have to search pretty hard these days to find one that will stand up to close examination - it is that it sometimes lacks soul.

So close is he to being the perfect golfing machine that the abiding impression as you walk away from 18 holes with him is that you have been in lately turned out, flawlessly programmed computer in which the only small glitch is the persistent over-use of the grouch button.

It does not, fortunately, detract from the quality of his performance. He can grizzle his way up the fairway after hitting a tee shot that came to a stop four feet away from the target and still pull out the most marvellous second. He is the John McEnroe of golf,



THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

except that the poor sap get-ting the roasting is N Faldo. After his early mistake yesterday he steadied the ship for a couple of holes, and did not really get his round under way until the 559-yard 5th, when he went through the green in chipped in with an eight-iron from all of 25 yards. There followed a punch of the air business as he tripped over thin air on the green and, yes

even the hint of a smile. when he calmly took two putts from the better part of 30 feet after going through the green in two with a three-wood, and the 10th, from 30 feet to the accompaniment of a great another smile? Surely not.

He also birdied the 13th from 15 feet, and this time there was not the merest hint of dissent - some pretty vealed that he knew it was in as soon as he had hit it.

On the next he followed his best shot of the day, a seven-iron that floated high in the barely ruffled air, landed softly and stopped four feet from the tentative putt from four feet lipping out. Mumble mode was immediately triggered. Pars to the end ensued.

After it was over he said he had been satisfied with his golf. He was happy, he told us. that he had put in a good day at the office. Heaven knows what will happen if things start going wrong. Spontane ous combustion, probably.

#### TEE-OFF TIMES

0600 F Couples (US), R Mediate (US), C Montgomerie 0910 N Costd (Japan), F Funk (US), P Steven (US)

M Olezábal (So)

1015 S Bennet, M Meckerzle, P Meyo

1030 D Padget, P McGinley, L Finker (US)

1040 J Robstn, H Buhrmann (SA), A Cottert

1050 M Larnter (Swe), D Clarte, M Knight

1100 J Robinson, R Bosel, R Kartson (Swe)

1110 A Chamley, " M Weich, C Marin (Aus)

1120 C McClellan (US), F George, B

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Marchbank 1135 M Ros, C Grey (Aus), M McLean 1145 P Way, K Walter, M Mouland 1155 D Eddliord, J Hobday, \* 8 Puten 1205 D W Basson (EA), K Jones, H Clark

1415 P Machell, N Faldo, C Perry (Aus.) 1425 P Senior (Aus.), M Brooks (US.), S

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1620 R Chapman, N Lindebled (Swe), J Hay
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RUGBY LEAGUE

Cundie, 489.26. Kinder Cup (200 yerde): Epsom, 280.24. Country Life Trophy (500): Chellenham, 254.19. London Scottlish Cup: Metchiston Castle, 487.23. Schools aggregate: Cundia, 1,215. Braditeid Tro-phy (Individual): F. Jackson (Marborough), 88.8. Cadet fours: 1, Greshame, 251.9: 2, Challenhon, 245.14.3. Microfinia 2. J Curtis (Lippingham), 48.3; 3, D Raser (Wellington), 48.2. Financial Times Cup (Snep); 1, J Rogerse (Sharborne), 50/48; 2, D Alkin (Charlerincuss), 50/48; 50 Orlik (Charlerincuss), 49. Wellington Cup (S00); G Panelia (Greshams), 35. Wellington Cup (S00); G Panelia (Greshams), 35. Wellington), 69.8 Cadlet Platol Trophy; M Wiler (FIGS Guildhord) 58. Marling Cup (Snep); Clundle, 251. Devon Trophy (300 and 500); Epsom, 337. London Soutish Vesse: Kalvinside, 323. Seymour Shield: Epsom, 337. Schools Statt: P Hister (RGS Guildford), 60.10. Humphry Cup (masch nite); 1, Cambridge

HOMEFIRE LEAGUE: Second division: Long Eston 68, Shaffield 21.

(Fr), 4-6, 8-3, 8-4; A Medvedev (CS) bt E Sanchez (Sp), 7-6, 8-2, B Karbacher (Gw) at F Clander (Sp), 8-7, 8-4, 6-4
WASHINGTON: ATP tournament: Second round: P Korda (C2) to J Brown (LS), 4-6, 8-2, 8-3; K Curren (US) bt J Palmer (US), 6-6-1; G Reoux (Fr) bt A Knotsten (US), 7-6, 2-4, 8-3; J Brates (GB) bt J Palmer (US), 7-6, 2-4, 8-3; J Brates (GB) bt J McErure (US), 6-2, 1-8, 6-4, 8-3; J Brates (GB) bt J McErure (US), 6-2, 1-8, 6-4, 8-4, A Antonisch (Lastita) bt L Lavelle (Med, 4-6, 6-0, 6-2, A Mansdorf (Isr) bt R Agenor (Hae), 6-2, 2-6, H Holm (Swe) bt T Mentin (US), 7-6, 7-5, D Rossagno (US) bt A O'Brisn (US), 6-3, 6-7, 6-3; J Grabb (US) bt A O'Brisn (US), 6-3, 6-7, 6-3; J Grabb (US) bt A O'Brisn (US), 6-3, 6-7, 6-3; J Grabb (US) bt A O'Brisn (US), 6-3, 6-7, 6-1, G Muller (SA) bt J Stottenberg (Aus), 6-1, 7-6. FRANGC-HTT: Federation Cup women's team tournament: Outsiter final: Germany bt Polland, 3-0 (German first A Huber bt M Mroz, 6-0, 6-3; Gref and Huber bt Mroz and Teodomowicz, 6-4, 7-6; United States to France, 2-1 (US) first G Fernandez bt M Pierce, 6-1, 6-4, 1. McNell lost to N Tauciai, 4-6, 5-7; Fernandez and Shriver bt Tauzes and Demorgeou, 6-4, 6-9; NEWCAST LE: Northern Bectric Open tournament: Men's singles: Outsites Treats: J Research Men's singles: Outsites Treats: J Research Men's singles: Outsites Tourdes: Men's 1, 5 Cole (Surrey), 840 points; 2, P Hand (Bertshire), 830, 3, N

MAHWAH, New Jersey: Women's tourns ment: Second round: C O'Relly (US) bt a Gamson, 3-2, ret.

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ball in at the first attempt.

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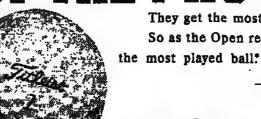
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### Woosnam declares his intentions

BY MITCHELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT

IAN Woosnam yesterday played the round of golf which, if his calculations are correct, will lead to him winning the 121st Open Champ-ionship at Muirfield.

Woosnam scored 65, six under par, as did Gordon Brand Jr so that both finished one shot off the lead shared by Raymond Floyd and Steve Pate, two American Ryder Cup players
Nick Faldo moved into con-

tention with a 66, which was equalled by John Cook and Lee Janzen, both of the United States, and Ernie Els. of South Africa. Craig Parry, of Austra-lia. Per-Ulrik Johansson, of Sweden, Costantino Rocca, of Italy, and the Americans, Orrin Vincent III, Rocco Mediate and Andrew Magee are among those on 67.

The Muirfield course has been beautifully prepared for the Championship. The dry summer has contributed to conditions being perfect to produce a pure examination, with the turf firm and fast.

Woosnam entered with the philosophy that victory would be his if he curtailed his natural instinct to attack. "I want three level-par rounds and one low 'un," he said. He had seven birdies in his "low 'un", in which a 4-4 finish, instead of the two fives he marked, would have given him the outright lead.

"I felt more confident about my prospects than I let on," Woosnam admitted. "And if I keep playing as well, I can win, It could have been a 62 but I'm delighted with a 65."

Woosnam realised as he began his round in mid-morning with the wind only threatening to return, that he might not have a better oppor-tunity this week. There was also a spring in his step because the previous evening, working with Bob Torrance on the practice range, he

erased a chink in his swing.
His first birdie, at the 2nd. was followed by another at the where he holed from 14 feet. Woosnam played a quite delicious bunker shot at the 7th to salvage his par. He was out in 32 after holing from 25 feet and 12 feet at the 8th and

The Wesishman, in control of his swing, extracted three birdles from the next six holes.

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It could have been six because he was putting from inside of 15 feet on each occasion. He drove into the rough at the 17th, although he was compelled to wait 15 minutes before hitting his next shot, which he leaned into and caught thin. Woosnam's concentration lapsed and a drive into a bunker at the 18th cost him a shot

Floyd, too, has not, through-out his illustrious career, made a better start to the Championship. He had a putt of 15 feet at the 18th to equal the record of 63 but, for once, his putter disobeyed him. Floyd's touch on the greens contributed to his eight birdies but he also hit

17 greens in regulation.

"I have no explanation for it but I am without question playing better than I have at any time in my career," Floyd, aiming, at 49, to be only the fifth player to complete the grand slam of the four major championships, said.

Pate put his 64 down to putting well. He also pointed out that he made a good start in the US Open but he then took 80. Brand has not won for almost three years but he produced a wonderful round, collecting six birdies without dropping a shot.
Faldo decided that this

might not be the day to play with his usual conservatism. " put my head down, got on with it, threw caution away said. Janzen played a flawless round, although he was fortuitous at the 10th, where he holed from 50 feet for one of

Sandy Lyle will be encouraged by his 68, as will Lee Trevino with a 69. Severiano Ballesteros, suffering from hay fever, made three birdies in the last seven holes for 70 with, among others, Paul Azinger, Fred Couples, Bernhard Langer and Tom Kite. Ian Baker-Finch, the defending champion, took 71. Tom Watson (72), John Daly (74), Jack Nicklaus (75) and Colin Montgomerie (76) were all the wrong side of par. Paul McGinley, who played in the Walker Cup last year, holed in one with a four-iron at the 7th in his first Open Champion-

# Conducting his Open show: Woosnam urges on a putt during his opening round of 65 at Mulrfield vesterday

#### Former champions out of luck

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

THE roll of past champions at Muirfield reads like a golfing Who's Who, but the prospects of Jack Nicklaus or Tom Watson adding to their impressive entries have receded considerably after just one round of the 121st Open.

Nickiaus, who won his first Open Championship on the Scottish links in 1966, stumbled to a miserable three-overpar 75 as he began his 123rd consecutive major championship

Watson, the champion 14 years later, went from two under par at the turn to two over and, like Nicklaus, could not disguise his deep disap-pointment after a round of 73.

"The course was a piece of cake," Nicklaus, who was overshadowed by his playing partner, Ian Woosnam, said. 'If you don't shoot a low score today, when are you going to do it? Woosie holed the ball from all over the golf course, but I couldn't make any putts. You've got to make the putts if

you're going to do anything." The Golden Bear, looking care-worn and weary after his round, was satisfied with his general play but felt he was hampered by five destructive

One came at the first hole when he drove into a bunker and moved the ball just 10 yards into the next fairway

He said: "I hit five bad shots

which is five more than I used to hit. Now I need to shoot 60something to make the cut." Watson, his arch rival of old, also struggled to trouble the

scorers and spilled four shots over the closing five holes in perfect, windless conditions. The course was very benign but I put in a weak finish, that's what killed me," said the next US Ryder Cup captain, who had two sixes in that closing stretch, including three bunker shots at the long

17th. While those two former Muirfield heroes toiled, two others began encouragingly. Lee Trevino, who shattered Tony Jacklin in 1972, secured two birdies and a bogey to produce a consistent 69. The

South African, Gary Player, champion at Multifield in 1959 and now approaching his 57th birthday, displayed his competitive instinct with a fighting level-par score of 71 as the wind freshened.

Completing the parade of former Open winners was Seve Ballesteros, who sneezed his way to a round of 70 because of the effects of hay

He said: "I was happy with the score but not the way I played. The good thing was to score quite good when I was feeling terrible.

'Maybe I will feel better tomorrow, and there will be a bit of wind as well."

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#### Janzen makes his mark for the family cat

IAN Baker-Finch, the de-fending champion, said he was disappointed he didn't shoot better than par when "every man and his dog" was doing so. Certainly, one man and his cat had a day of days. Lee MacLeod Janzen,

born in Minnesota and based in Florida, went out in 33 and came back in 33 for a 66, five under par.
Shepherded round by
Dave Musgrove, winner of
the Open with Seve Ballesteros and Sandy Lyle, Janzen, whose mother is a Bruce and whose antecedents may go back as far as

Robert the, is a candidate

for touring pro for the Cat Protection League. Beverly Jamen revealed that they became a cat family by accident when her husband was playing in a mini-tour event in nson, Missouri, three years ago. "Lee is on the sixth hole," she said, "and ve hear a moise and see this tiny little face 30 feet up a tree. Lee's partners are playing their shots and he's trying to coax this cat down. She fell the last bit

and I caught her."

The mite fitted in the palm of the hand and weighed less than a pound and Beverly knew her husband was booked when he got up in the middle of the night to feed the scrap they christened Miss Kitty. She is in Florida this purting at the TV.



#### **Lagie eye**

Also purring is David Kirk-wood, who is a member at Gullane and a steward at the first hole. He was on duty at entrance C yesterday morning when his highly trained golf collector's eye spotted a canvas bag full of hickory-shafted clubs. Using his authority (a rope, I think), Kirkwood stopped the bag's owner, a professional bag carrier or caddy

known as Big Brian, saying.

"Excuse me, I'm a collector ..." A little later, Kirkwood, still on duty but by now the clubs circa 1890, heard the familiar words. "Excuse me, I'm a collector."

Another deal was struck and the spectator walked away with one of the clubs, a left-handed model made by Jack Morris, Tom's brother.

#### Offside surely

if Kirkwood had hung on a bit longer, he might have interested Russ Cochran in e purchase. Cochran is one of the few left-handers on the US Tour and be ended up very close to the ropes on the first when he pushed his drive into the bunker on the left-hand side of the

Cochran obviously makes the most of his wrong-sided-ness. His caddie was wearing a cap that advertised the Lefties Only Golf Shop on the front and gave the number on the back: I-800-

#### Times change

Mark Roe, who has his idiosyncrasies but plays right-handed, was in the last group out yesterday at 4.20pm. He feels he's had a rough draw from the R and A ever since he, Paul Way and Robert Lee put paper bags over their heads and used exploding golf balls in practice for the Open here

The draw is meant to be rundom and Moe was eertainly out in match 48 (of 51) in 1988 and match 50 last vear. In hetween, he was out at the civilised hours of 9.55am and 8.05am, matches 16 and 6.

#### A man's game

Embroiled in things at Muirfield, it's easy to think the Open is everyone's obsession. Kitrina Douglas. who'll be in Europe's Solheim Cup team to play the American women professionals at Dalmahoy in October, stopped at Scotch Corner on the way here and was reminded of a wider world when she fell in to chat with two old biddies.

'My husband won a prize," one said, "and it was either Henley, Wimbledon or the Open at Murray-

"I'm going to that," Douglas said. "Oh, that's nice. Are you playing?"

#### Stirring deeds by Lee

DAREN Lee, one of only three amateurs who came through the Open Championship qualifying, played the round of his life yesterday to stand three under par, leaving in his wake, among others, Severiano Ballesteros, l'an Baker-Finch, the holder, and Tom Kite, the US Open champion (John Hennessy

Lee, 26, could hardly believe it himself. He had survived a play-off in the regional compe tition at Orsett last week and another in the final qualifying at Dunbar on Monday. On

both occasions he dispatched his challengers with a birdie at

the first extra hole. Yet be performs these stirring deeds in spite of suffering from myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME) and would have been struggling had the Open started a day earlier, when he was unwell. Yesterday, happily, he was much better.

He was four under after nine holes, only two under after 11, and repaired that damage with a stunning eagle three at the 550 yards 17th before driving into a bunker at the home hole.

#### The second secon FIRST-ROUND SCORES FROM MUIRPLE

64: S Pate (US), R Floyd (US) 65: ( Woosnam, G Brand Jr. 66: L Janzen (US), E Els (SA), N Faldo, J Cook (US).

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Elkington (Aus).

69: K Jones, W Andrade (US), M Calcavecchia (US), B R Brown (US), D Waldorf (US), L Wadkins (US), P Mitchell, N Lindeblad (Swe), N Price (Zim), C Pavin (US), R Rafferty. 70: M James, G Turner (NZ), D Hammond (US), H Irwin (US), A

## Forsbrand (Swe), D Gilford, P Senior (Aus), S Ballesteros (Sp), L Trevino (US), B Langer (Ger), P Lawrie, T Kite (US), D Mijovic (Can), F Couples (US), P Steward (US), J Sturman (US), J-M Otazábal (Sp), R Cochran (US), G Norman (Aus).

G Norman (Aus).

71: D W Basson (SA), D Feherty, J Spence, M McNutty (Zim), J Mudd (US), \* M Voges (US), M Brooks (US), W Riley (Aus), C Beck (US), I Baker-Finch (Aus), P Walton, J Payne, G Player (SA), E Romero (Arg), R Tway (US), M O'Meara (US), R Davis (Aus), F Funk (US), G Evans, R Cochran (US).

72: T Nakajima (Japan), C Stadler (US), M Harwood (Aus). J Rivero (Sp), J McHenry, W Guy, D

Smyth, R Chapman, N Briggs, P O'Malley (Aus), A Sherborne, J-Caffizares (Sp), N Ozaid (Japan), M Clayton (Aus), A Johnstone (Zim),

Johnstone (Zim).

73: M Mouland, R Mackey (Aus), S Torrance, A Hare, I Palmer (SA), D Love III (US), B Lane, W Grady (Aus).

74: P Way, \* S Pullan, D Eddifford, H Clark, C Strange (US), J Dely (US), K Waters, D Williams, P Moloney (Aus), M Archer, J Coocrese (Arg), M Sunesson (Swe), T Weiskopf (US), S Richardson, J Gallacher Jr (US), M Ozaki (Japan), K Clearwater (US).

75: K Walker, J Hobday, J Nicklaus (US), G Emerson, P Price, J Rystrom (Swe), P Harri-

#### son, P Wesselingh, Broadhurst, K Trimble (Aus). THerniton (Can), I Spencer, C Montgomerie, M Davis. C Brooks, \* G Wolstenholmie. 78: G Torbett, E Giraud (Fr). 79: C Post (Den), J Hay.

#### Faldo favourite

Mick Faldo is 4-1 favourite with William Hill to win the Open after he first round. Hills then offers 5-1 Woosnam 10 Floyd, 16 Couples, Price, 20 Pany, Pate 25-1 Aizinger, Langer, Lyle, Norman, Olazábal, 33 Brand Jr, Cook, Stewart.

#### Shortening the odds

WHAT a difference 35 days have made in the life of Oring Vincent III, the son of an American club professional from Las Vegas (Mitchell Platts writes). Vincent, who has put £5 on himself at 500-1, scored 67 in the first round of the Open compared with a 92 in the opening day of the Austrian Open last month, when he took 14 at the 1st.

Then Vincent hit four shots right and out of bounds; aimed left on an adjacent fairway with his next but from there put the ball through the

In stark contrast, he struck hardly a poor shot at Muirfield, where the longest putt he holed for any of his five birdies was one of eight feet. Vincent qualified last year for the PGA European Tour but he has won only £4,900 from 15 tournaments. He is guaranteed a cheque for £3,200 if he survives the

"My father tried twice without success to qualify for the Open," he said. "I'm delighted to be up so high at this point, although I'll keep playing one shot at a time."

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#### Lancashire humbled by apprentice

By JACK BAILEY SOUTHPORT (final day of three): Leicestershire (23pts) beat Lancashire (7) by eight

CHRISTOPHER Hawkes, a young slow left-arm bowler with only one match for Leicestershire before this and yet to take a wicket for his county, was tossed the ball vesterday more in desperation

than hope, it seemed. Lancashire were in pursuit of 159 to win and had already made 99 for two. Ten overs from Hawkes, and Leicestershire had won an enthralling match by eight runs.

Hawkes, aged 20, took four wickets for 18 as Lancashire lost their last eight wickets for 51. He had noble support from Parsons, the faithful old retainer, at the other end, who likewise finished with four wickets, bowling his medium

pace on this dry, dusty wicket and maintaining an impecca-ble length. Both were backed up magnificently in the field.

It is doubtful whether the umpires will mark the Trafal-

gar Road pitch highly. By the end there were places where the ball had gone through the

CESTERSHARE: First Imange 257 (T J on 76, V J Wells 51; M Walldracin 6 for 82, I Montagn 4 for 70j. 'N E Sriers b Filton
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which gave a good crowd more than good value. It had after all been a good, toss to win. Lancashire did: well in the final innings, chiefly through the early efforts of Speak and Lloyd

top. But it did produce a marvellous game of cricket

which gave a good crowd

LANCASHRE: First Innings 280 (G Fower 62, N H Fairbrother 51; G J Pyssons 4 for 36; C J Millos 4 for 65; Escola Innings 6; G Fower c Bracketh b Millos 11; N J Speak a Boon b Hawkes 29; G D Libyd c Nison b Pastons 50; N H Fairbrother c Boon b Pastons 7; N H Milloston c Rittles b Pastons 78.

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who went for their shots, to reach a position of needing only 59 runs with eight wick-ets left. When, we wondered, was Hawkes going to be brought on? Everyone at Briers's disposal had been used but him. Hawkes must have wondered too. The preference of Briers to

use pace and spin in tandom was justified in the end, but he was builed out by some fine catches, none better than that taken thigh above his head. on the square leg boundary by Millins to get rid of Watkinson. Watkinson had been largely instrumental in launching a counterattack after the demise of Speak and Lloyd. Hawkes had taken the wicket of Speak with his third ball. Now, he

18 balls for five runs. And that

went on to take three more in



MOTORING p7 The Reliant returns and the Jag claws back



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## Man of hope and glory

Richard Morrison on the up, down and up career of Andrew Davis, who tonight conducts the First Night of the Proms

serve Andrew Davis in his element: a man born for the big occasion. Bearded face grins with exhilaration: baton swoops in confident arc. At his command, hundreds of musicians hurt out a mighty strain of Elgar. In a chaos of banners, streamers and general red-white-and-blue tomfoolery, this epitome of the English conductor stands purposeful and rock-like, as if master of all he surveys.

Which, in a sense, he is. As chief conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra, he has the plum job of launching the 98th season of Henry Wood Promenade Concerts at the Albert Hall tonight with a performance of Verdi's Requiem and, in 65 concerts' time, of presiding over the Last Night and delivering his speech, with its

slightly edgy jokes. In between he will conduct his orchestra in three more Proms. And in one other Prom he will don his second hat, as Glyndebourne's music director, and conduct Tchaikovsky's opera The Queen of

So, at the age of 48. Davis stands at the pinnacle of British musical life. "I have a wife and child that I love, and the two best jobs in England," he says, with disarming simplicity.

Ai first glance, his route to bliss does look disarmingly simple. Clev-er Watford Grammar School boy wins organ scholarship to King's College, Cambridge, Several thousand psalms, lessons and carols later, he turns his back on the worthy prospect of life in a cathefreelance harpsichord player in London, because he is bitten by the

conducting bug. It is the late 1960s; Cambridge graduates expect glittering prizes to come quickly. For Davis they do: in classic style he substitutes for an ailing elder in a Festival Hall

concert, wins approval, and is

From Bluebeard's

launched on a perhaps too-swift rise, conducting nearly every major American and British orchestra in

an 18-month whirl.
"The curious thing is that when I first started I had such a fast ride to success that I didn't believe it," he now says. "Of course I enjoyed it. But there was part of me that said: This is a sham; you shouldn't be up

here, you young whippersnapper."

In 1974 the whippersnapper is offered the principal conductorship of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, a golden chance for a young man. Davis stays 13 years, sees the orchestra into its new hall, tours a lot of very cold places, and learns a stack of new repertoire. Toronto teaches him what it means to be a true music director.

But somehow his sweet progression to eminence starts to turn sour. His first marriage, to an English cellist, falls apart. "My wife mar-ried a harpsichord player who suddenly became a conductor and started to travel the world," he says. Back in England, "whizz-kid Andrew" has almost become "Andrew who?" Toronto, Davis discovers, is not exactly an orchestra wooed by record companies. And, when he does return to England, critics find him a bit routine. Simon Rattle is the new toast of the town.

More important. Davis feels uncertain about his art. "You have the confidence of youth to carry you through at first. Then comes the self-doubt. After all, conductors are dealing all the time with such an awe-inspiring body of work. How can one hope to be penetrating its depths at the age of 30? You lose man; but you haven't yet found anything else."

He leaves Toronto in 1987, and starts to rebuild his European reputation. It is not easy. After he accepts the music directorship of Glyndebourne in 1988 it becomes known that Rattle was given first



"The Prommers are actually the most attentive and quietest audience in the world. Of course, once you get into the patriotic stuff, forget it": Andrew Davis on the Last Night

Davis also becomes principal conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra. But this, too, has elements of a poisoned chalice. The BBC SO conductor may enjoy more rehearsal time than is common in London, but he is also expected to slog through difficult modern scores and often performs to tiny audiences in the Festival Hall. Or. less glamorous still, to no audience at all in the grim, greygreen world of Maida Vale One. the orchestra's recording studio.

The move to London ends Davis's second marriage, to an American double-bassist. His roly-poly bonhomie, even his characteristic blast of a laugh (a french horn at brittle defence mechanisms.

Then a kind of artistic rebirth occurs. Perhaps wounded pride spurs it on, perhaps the emotional stability provided by his third marriage and the birth of his son. Edward (named after Elgar, naturally). At Glyndebourne, he turns in performances - particularly of the meaty late Romantics — that make the critics six up. At the BBC he tackles fiendish modern scores with energy and authority. And to English music he brings a depth that would have been quite beyond the scope of the brash young man who had gone to Toronto.

e opens the 1991 Proms with Elgar's The Dream of Gerontius, it is a fascinating interpretation, the reading of a man who has tasted doubt as well as triumph, and can draw on both experiences. "It has a certain amount to do with being older, and with being more secure in my he says. "Now I think I deserve to be where I am. I'm not saying I'm the greatest conductor in the world, but I know what my strengths are, and I enjoy doing it. I've achieved some kind of inner tranquillity. It's

called growing up." Conductors, prone to god-like delusions, do not often admit to having role models. Davis willingly names one, and it is a significant admission: Sir John Barbirolli. He could make more of a moment of musical deliciousness than anybody else. You could feel the love for

music coming out of his pores."

There is surely more to Davis's Barbirolli fascination that that. Like Davis. Barbirolli was also plucked unexpectedly across the Atlantic to a high-profile North American conducting job: with the New York Philharmonic, in Barbirolli's case. "That was not altogether a good experience for him," says Davis. Then he came back to Manchester during the war, and made something marvelvery difficult period."

The parallel between the two

conductors' careers is obvious, although Davis does not draw it. Barbirolli became the best-loved conductor in Britain through the humanity of his music-making and through his willingness to devote himself to an unfashionable ensemble. Davis, too, recognises that music-making is not only about the technical and intellectual matters or at least, it never has been in Britain. It is also a social activity, even at the highest level.

"Yes, I believe in having a good time. I think that we musicians are

exceptionally fortunate in what we do: even when we are wrestling with the most horrendous contemporary score we still have a job that is challenging and creative. But don't get me wrong: I work the orchestra hard. I don't think a conductor should run through a piece once and then say goodbye, as one or two do:"

The First Night looms. Davis that's because I love big choral works; I don't think it's megalomamia. The Prommers are actually the most attentive and quietest audience in the world; when you consider that there are sometimes 6,000 people jammed into that place. One can feel the intensity of their attention. And even on the Last Night we can do some very quiet, beautiful Delius piece, and they will give you the silence of the grave. Even that marrie banch. Of

course, once you get into the patriotic stuff, lorger it."

Does the "patriotic stuff" worry Davis? It worried his namesake, Sir Colin Davis, who removed Land of Flope and Glory when he conducted ed the Lest Night on the grounds that it was "smacking of Earl Haigery and sending millions to the slaughter.

Andrew Davis, a generation younger, takes a far less solemn view. "I don't believe that Britannia roles the waves, but the songs centainly don't offend me. It's a

O Valerte Grove is on holide

#### TOMORROW

Will John Major really protect the beauties of the British hedgerow?

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#### The pick of the Proms, a personal concert guide

Castle and a coronation in Venice to Rossini played with a swing

n the Fifties the ruthless George Szell turned the Cleveland Orchestra into a music machine of frightening precision. "He even rehearsed the inspira-tion." said his players. Christoph von Dohnányi, whose has been at the helm in Ohio for the past ten years, is a similarly tough-minded operator, and the orchestra retains its slightly chilling reputation for producing immaculate conceptions and taking its repertoire very seriously indeed.. The first of its two Proms includes a new showpiece for virtuoso orchestra, written by the Austrian, Herbert Willi. July

#### Hungarian passion

In 1989, just days after Hungary declared itself a democracy, the young players of the Budapest Festival Orchestra and their founder/conductor Ivan Fischer played a storm of a concert in London: marvellously passionate, joyous and virtuosic. If ever musicmaking radiated hope and pride, this was it. Since then this nineyear-old ensemble has won golden opinions throughout Europe: here they perform Bartók's brooding Duke Bluebeard's Castle. July 28

Baroque pleasure The beauty of reconstructing Music from a Venetian Coronation, 1595, with fanfares, plain-chant and organ music (how could we manage without the plainchant?) is that nobody has much idea about exactly what would have been sung on such an occasion. This gives Paul McCreesh and his excellent Gabrieli Choir a useful excuse to perform









Star choice: (from the left) Anne-Sophie Mutter, Kate Westbrook, Evelyn Glennie to "Big Band Rossini". The West-

some of the most spectacular multichoir works by the great Venetian organists Andrea and Giovanni Gabrieli. July 30

#### Ivory powers

Nikolai Demidenko was the bestkept secret in music: a pianist who harnessed rampant keyboard powers to subtle musical insights. The combination is rare: perhaps that is why Demidenko (Russian born, London domiciled) languished when less talented colleagues were showered with hyperbole. His Prom debut, playing Rachman-inov's Fourth Piano Concerto. could launch his delayed stardom.

#### Tartan triumphant

Scottish music-making is in a golden age, thanks largely to the people appearing here. The Scot-tish Chamber Orchestra has pioneered wonderful educational schemes and championed a rising generation of unstuffy and articu-late young Scottish composers such as James MacMillan. Evelyn Glennie is the remarkable percussionist, profoundly deaf since the age of 12, who has inspired composers around the world to

write pieces for her. MacMillan's new percussion concerto, to be premiered by Glennie and the SCO, is called Veni, veni Emmanuel - a reference to the ancient Advent hymn. August 10

#### Gargantuan night

Heroic music — orchestral chunks from Götterdämmerung and other strenuous Wagner operas - calls for a hero's interpretation. They do not come much more heroic than Klaus Tennstedt, the German conductor who has overcome prolonged illness and shattering career reversals, and whose emotionally charged performances of Beetho ven. Mahler and Wagner with the London Philharmonic seem to proclaim his hard-won victories with every bar, August 20

#### Jazzing the classics

Rossini bicentenary celebrations can go disastrously wrong - but let us not intrude upon the Royal Opera's private grief. Instead. consider what weird and wonderful hybrid we may expect when jazz-persons Mike and Kate Westbrook and their 20-piece band crossfertilise with the 19th-century opera composer in this Prom devoted

brooks are not the first to bridge the big divide between classical and jazz the examples of Gershwin and Stravinsky should encourage the doubters. August 30

#### Fabulous fiddler

Not yet 30. Anne-Sophie Mutter dominates any discussion of present-day violin-playing. Her technique is phenomenal; her intelligence penetrating: her stamina prodigious and her boldness startling. Only her emotional input is questioned. In London two years ago she played seven big concernos and seven chamber pieces in one week — including three concerns in one night. Does the lady in the strapless frocks have any faults? Some find her playing a bit too calculated. With the London Symphony Orchestra and Michael Tilson Thomas she plays Berg's Violin Concerto, September 4

#### Eternal values

Lasting over 80 minutes. Bruckner's massive Eighth Symphony is not a work that appeals to the intellectual toddlers who want concerts to be parades of instant soundbites. It is music conceived on the

peaks too early is like the marathon runner who starts sprinting with ten miles to go. At the age of 80, Gunter Wand knows a thing or two about pacing; expect his performance with the BBC Symphony Orchestra to be magisterially contralled. September 5

grandest scale; the conductor who

#### Deep gloom

In a famous Prom about 20 years ago Boris Christoff held a packed Albert Hall spellbound by singing what seemed like every great death scene in Russian opera (it was probably only two). Now Britain has a bass worthy of comparison with the great Bulgarian: he is John Tomlinson, who repeats here his mesmerising performance in the title-role in Boris Godunov. Accompanying him are the Opera North forces that staged Mussorgsky's epic so successfully earlier this season. September 8

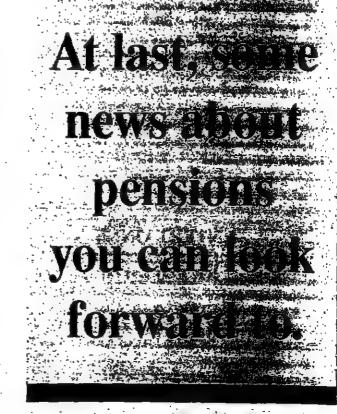
#### Ne plus ultra

Two Proms by the Vienna Philharmonic. ISO years old this year, add special lustre to the final week. If you must choose between Claudio Abbado's Haydn/Mahler pro-gramme and Pierre Boulez's concert of Stravinsky, Debussy, Boulez and Bartók, he brave and pick the latter. September 9/10

#### Last Night

Dame Kiri Te Kanawa will of course do a wonderfully tasteful job on Rule, Britannia!. I just wish she hadn't worn that Union Jack waistcoat on the cover of Radio Times. Earlier, the wail of the bagpipe will be heard — oh yes. certainly heard — in Sir Peter Maxwell Davies's An Orkney Wedding with Sunrise: an unchar-acteristically hummable piece from a composer who, in his avant-garde days, caused a near riot at the Proms. September 12

• All the Proms are at the Royal Albert Hali, Kensington Gore, London SW? 1071-823 9998) and are also broadcast live on Radio 3.



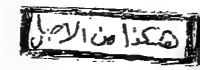
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1992. It will cover unit and investment trusis, interestonly mortgages and Peps. Also, a special feature will look at the many types of personal pensions on offer and help you to decide which is the best for you.

Now more than ever, it's required reading.





MAREYN KINGWILL

BBC PROMS 92: Andrew Davis conducts this year's opening concert, bringing together the BBC Symphony Orchestre and Chorus, the BBC Symphony and the London Symphony Chorus for a performance of Vertis' massive Requiem. The soloids are Marjana Lipovick, Virison Cole, Paul Phishica and Lipovick, Virison Cole, Paul Phishica and Lipovick, Virison Cole, Paul Phishica and Pamperain Suprano Susan.

Trom ceutes:
Tomorrow, Vernon Handley conducts
the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, the
Brighton Festival Chorus and London
Choral Society in a concert dedicated to
Charles Groves who died on June 20
and who was originally planned to
conduct the concert. The programme
begins with Walton's overture, Scapino,
Tasmin Little and Raphael Wallitsch are
solosts in Delius's Double Concerto, and
Joan Rodgers and Simon Keenlyside
perform in Vaughan Williams's A Sea
Symphony

symphony
Sunday brings the first complete
concert performance of Robert
Gerhard's Don Dunate After the
interval Sumon Rattle and the CBSO are
goned by the CBSO Chorus, solicists
Kristine Cesariski, Cathenine Robin, John
Mitchinson, Peter Mikulas and organist
Thomas Trotter for a performance of
smacket's Glaspolitic Mass (7.30pm).
Albert Hall, London SW7 (071-823
3998): tonight-Sun, 7.30pm
DOUBLE TABEE's Lies Harmow plans a pouble Take: Lisa Harrow plays a woman miraculously given the chance to live her life over again, with a different husband, in Deborah Moggach's first stage play.

Million Studio Theatre, Cattends
Park, Chuhester (0243 781312) acellent Me and My Friend HILTON RUIZ: A New Yorker, Ruiz B r with his quinted to provide some eet Latin jazz provies including sweet Latin Jazz grooves including southul interpretations of the work of John Coltrane. Next week Ronnie's showcases the German organist Barbara.

AS YOU LIKE IT: Some nice touches

Arken's straightforward production. Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431) Tonight, tomorrow, 8pm, mats tomorrow, 2.30pm 180mins.

CE SOUNCEON GENTRIKOMME

Richard Jones's so-so production, with Timothy Spall as a boomsh hero, Pine

visuals, futul comedy National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight, tomorrow, 7 30pm, mat tomorrow, 2 15pm.

DEATH AND THE MAJOEN: AND Dorfman's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge. Geraldine James, Michael Byrne and

Geraldane James, man and James, Paul Freeman Dulke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122) Mort-Sat, 8pm, mais Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 120mins.

DBJAVU: Jimmy Porter 36 years on. Opporte: here rarts and writinges but in a vacuum, and Peter Egan seems too good-natured to be the Angry Old Man. Connedly, Panton Street, SWI (075-867 1045) Mon-Sirt, 7.45pm, mais Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 170mins.

GRAND HOTEL: Musical barley

Sentimental, American, entertaining. Dominion, Tottenham Court Road,

W1 (071-580 9562), Mon-Sat. 8on

mats Thurs, Sat, 2.30pm. 120mins.

E FROM A JACK TO A KING: With

and system version of Maccetin's glimb of the tup, set in the world of rock bands and packed with Sixtes songs Ambassadors, West Street, London WCZ 1071-836 61111, Mon-Thurs, 8 15,pa., Fri and Set, 5,30pm and

A RUENTE OVEILINA: Kowaii al

Declar Donnellan's thriling 1989 staging of Lopez de Vega's drama of

National (Cottesion), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Tonight,

tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2.30pm, 120mms.

I WUNDER BY MISADVENTURE

Gerald Harper and Witham Gaunt play crime writers who fall out and pit then

the-mill thriter. Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836

NEW RELEASES

wicked wits against each other; run-of-

BELLE DE JOUR (18), Bunuel's 1967 classic about the adventurous fibrido of a bourgeois wife (Catherne Deneuve) Cool and compelling in a sparking new print Jean Sorel, Michel Piccoli

Everyman (071-435 1525) MGM

ise Centre (071-439 4470)

DAKOTA ROAD: Securi frustration in

too much silly rural Angst. Written and directed by playwright Nick Ward, With Alan Howard, Charlotte Chatton,

mai Film Theatre (071-928

defending a murder charge down South. Uncertain comit vehicle for Jos

Lynn. Camden Parkway (071-267 7034)
Laste Chebas (071-352 5096) MGM
Tottenham Court Road (071-635 6148) Odeons: Kenshigton (0426 914501)
West End (0426 915574) UCI
Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

BATMAN RETURNS (12): Ourly

but ho-hum sequel, best when the spotight falls on Michelle Pfeffer's electrifying Catwornan With Micha Keaton, Danny DeVino: director, Terr

trifying Catwornan With Michae ton, Danny DeVito; director, Tim

Adventures of a novice lawyer

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and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

WEEKEND EVENTS

Dennerien with her band, Ronnie Scott's, London W1 (071-439 0747), toright-Sat, 8 30pm BRYAN ADAMS: Having spent much of 1991 at the top of the charts with "(Everything I Do) I Do it For You", the Canadian rock star turns his attention to Wambley Stadium, Wembley, Middlesex (081-900 1234), tomorrow,

COPPELIA: Last chance to catch Australian Ballet's fine production of this quant comedy about the strange fittle toymaker who believes he can bring his dolls to life. The Coppelia of the title as his favourite doll but the real stars are the lovers Franz and Swanibla, along with old Dr Coppelius himself Colliseum, St. Marton's Lane, London WC2 (071-836 3161), tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2.30pm.

dosing concerts include Nina Smone with the Ronnie Scott Band (tonight-Sum); Georgia Essert **BLACKPOOL JAZZ FESTIVAL: The** in the Konnie Scott Band (tonight-it, Georgie Fame and the Blue Flames play alonoside Alan Price (Tues); and the National Youth Jazz Orchestra with Kenny Baiter and Don Lusher hrish proceedings on Wednesday Empress Ballinoom, Winter Gardens Complex, Blackpool (0253 27786), until

CONDON INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF STREET ENTERTAINERS: Open are jugglers, minstrels, theatre troupes, acrobars and downs will be trying extra hard this weekend, not just to entertian you, but to catch the eye of roaming judges who will be awarding

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

House full, returns only
Some seats available
Seats at all prices

9987), Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs. 2,30pm, Sat, 5 30pm, 120mins. Frances Barber in a Howard Dav

production that some admire greatly while others feel subordinates the text

to a dever design. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Torught, tomo 7.15pm, mai tomorrow, 2pm.

COMED AND JULIET: Michael

Maloney and Clare Holman in David Leveaux's fairly ordinary production. Barbican, Silk Street, ECZ (071-638 8891) Tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 195mrs.

Stockard Channing recreates her role as the rich New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's line play

on human inter-dependence. Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mort-Sat, &pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 90mins.

A SUP OF THE TONIGUE 4 woller

John Mallowch in a behtweight drama that seems to equate East-European disadence with getting girt into bed. Shaftenbury, Shaftenbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399) Mon-Thurs, Spm, Fr. 6pm and Spm, Sat, 4,30pm and 8,30pm 150

CINEMA GUIDE

films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ♦ ) on release across the country

935 9772) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2535) MGM Oxford Street (071-636 0310) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) Notting Hill Cornet (071-727 6705) Screen on the Green (071-226 3520) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

THE BUTCHER'S WIFE (12): Arch

whimsy about a New York buicher's danvoyant write (Demi Moore), parti

carryoyant wife (Denu Moore), partly salvaged by bright fires and a genul cast. Director, Teny Hughes MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031).

**HOWARDS END (PG): Absorbing** 

version of E.M. Forster's novel about two colliding families with different ideals. With Anthony Hopkins, Emmil Phompson, Helena Bonham-Carter.

Director, James Ivory Corson Mayfair (071-465 6865) Corson West End (071-439 4805)

THE LONG DAY CLOSES (12) Terence

Davies's powerful evocation of childhood's lost paradise. With Leight McCormack, Marjone Yates, and a wonderful aural collage of Fifties.

Britairi. Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661)

off Reswork as

IS SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATIONS

proces for the best acts. Carnaby Street/Goldon Square West Soho, London W1 (071-287

10pm.

SPRST OF THE EARTH: The South Bank's exploration of divine influences in the arts brings Sara Mantand to the platform of the Voice Box. Nardand has belonged to the Christian fernisist movement since 1978 and has empresd a career as a full-time writer and journalist since 1974, with the publication of three novels. She will read from her work and give a fall on the relationship between spiritual inspiration and liberature. Later, in the Queen Elizabeth Hall, there is a fourpart concert of music from different branches of the Christian faith including Yemeni Jewish and Fannan including Yemeni Jewish and Iranian Marie music South Bank, London SE1 (071-638

8891), tomorrow, 3pm (Vilit; 7pm (QGH).

STAFFORD PESTIVAL: The Midlands
Festival Orchestra opens the festival
tomorrow with a concert performed in
the setting of Aqualate Park, followed
by a fireworks display (7 30pm). On
Monday the Medici Quartet is joined by
Timothy Wiest and Prunella Scales in a
words-and-music programme
(Gatehouse, 7.30pm); on Tuesday
mezoo-soprano Yvonne Howard gives a
sectial of French song (St Mary's
Church, 7.30pm); standup correction
Im Tavare brings his 1990 Edinburgh
success Berethouen or not Owed to the
festivation of the Stafford Pestival, Eastgate Street,
Stafford Pestival, Eastgate Street,
Stafford (Bos Office 07ES S4653), until
August 9.

CITY OF LONDON FESTIVAL: Th Philharmonia performs symphonic music from the Silver Screen. Kennieth Alagn conducts theme music to The Godfather, Lawrence of Arabia and Star Trek.

Barbican, Silk Street, London EC2, (071-638 8891), 7.45pm.

Sadier's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, 6C1 (171-278 8916). Tues-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Tues, Thurs, Sat, 2.30pm.

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Netholas Lyndhurst, Neil Daglish and
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rotably her gay son.
Aldwych, Aldwych WC2 (071-886
6404) Mon-Sat, Spm, mais Wed, Spm,
Sat, Spm 130mins.

Restoration comedy of bad behavious the home of a burnibling savers, directed with very by Prinking Lloyd. With Linda Martowe and Christopher Restoration.

Benjamin.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891) Tonight, comorow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 165mins. E A WOMAN OF WO IMPONIANCE

Philip Provise's triumphant RSC production. John Caritise as a callous pristocrat in Wilde's social melogram laced with wit. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mais d. Sat, 2.30pm. 165

950 88001 Non-Sat, 7.3 upm, mass Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 165 mass.

LONG RUNDINES: □ Blood Brothstein: Phoentx (071-8367 10440... □ Buddy: Victona Palace (071-824 1317) □ Carmen Jones: Old Vic (071-926 7616) ... □ Cate: New London (071-405 0072) ... □ Danding at Lughtnasse: Garndr (071-494 5085) □ Don't Dream for Diamer: Apolio (071-494 5070) ... □ An Evening With Gary Lineter: Duches: (071-494 5075) ... □ Five Guys Named Mose Lync (071-494 5045) ... □ Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoust Paladium (071-494 5037) ... □ Me and My Girt; Adelphi (071-436 7611) ... □ Las Missérableir: Palace (071-434 9409) ... □ The Mousetrape St Maron's (071-436 1443) ... □ The Phartonin of the Opera: Her Mayesty (071-494 5400) ... □ The Mousetrape St Maron's (071-836 1443) ... □ The Phartonin of the Opera: Her Mayesty (071-379 5299) ... □ Startlight Express: Apolio Victoria (071-828 9665) □ The Woman in Blands Formale (071-826 7338)

DESOMEDNE WHOTH WATCH OVER MEE Excelent playing by Alec McCowen, Hugh Quarrine and Stephen Rea as Berut hostages in Frank McGuinness's new play. Hampstead, Swiss Cottage Centre. Name, squeaky-clean tots and drops of (071-836 2238). golden sun: a sweet holiday from the real world Ticket information from SWET.

792 3332).

THE PLAYER (15): Dazzing sabre on Hoflywood, directed by Robert Alaman from Michael Tolluin's novel. Twn Robbrns as the studio executive who kills a writer; plus cameos and walk-ons

Odeores: Kensington (0426 914666) Lelcester Square (0426 915683) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

I FIR. RAP LURE: (18): Disaffected woman (Mm) Rogers, societally becomes flom Again. Provocative exploration of spinual malase, written and directed by Michael Tollan. https://doi.org/10.100/11.000.06311 MGM Tottenham Court Board (071-636 6148).

+ SLEEPWALKERS (10): About

bungled honor move written by Stephen King, Bhan /Lrause as a

repulian in hunk's clothing; Mädchen Arnick as the impeniled girl. Director.

Mick Garris, MISM Outpard Sprees (071-536 0310)

Odeons: Kensington (0426 9146 West End (0426 915574)

galore. Missili Chelson (D71-357 9096)

THE RAPTURE (18): Disaffected

longings. Screen on Baker Street (071-935 2772). ATHE LOVER (18): Jean-Jacques
Annaud's own-careful, faithfully entire
adaptation of Marguerna Duras's
autobiographical novella about an
adolescent girl's discovery of ser and
love in Twenties colonial Indo-China.
MGIM Fulham Road (071–370 2636)
MGIM Haymarket (071–836 1527)
MGIM Shaftesbury Aventue (071–836
6279/379 7025) UCI Whiteleys (071–
792 33321).

ALL the formidable keyboard tech-

nique and poetic sensibility that Cécile

Ousset commands has been called into

play in a daily series of five lunchtime

recitals this week as part of the City of

London Festival. She has been giving

what amounts to a continuing exhibit

tion of the piano music of Debussy,

Ravel, and others in the French school

in which she excels, with certain

romantic stalwarts by Beethoven. Cho-

Monday, she began with an account of

Beethoven's C Minor Sonata (Op 13)

that was not so much the "Pathétique"

of its title as might be called smiling

through its tears. Only the end of the

first movement summoned any musi-

cal Angst (after some snatching at notes

in the first of these programmes, on

pin and Liszt

Birmingham Rep

with a single actor apiece but Walcott needs two for the governess, so that a the impulsive Aggie she used to be. Once she danced on the cocoa beans along with the native women, taught them their right to be independent: has she not lost something precious in

change from jolly good bowler to guerrilla is left uncharted.

Trinidad as an isle of bliss is another strand of the play, and soaring screens to one side show a Watteau painting of lovers embarking for Cythera. Aggie's employer - Peter Woodward, speaking a ferocious Creole patois — is a painter who dresses up as Watteau, and the painter's brother (Michael Bertenshaw) is another Watteau-freak. But Walcott can neither leave the

satisfactorily into his play. John Adams's direction animates occasional scenes but cannot introduce a cohesion that the author himself does not

Fiona Tonkin and the company in Of Blessed Memory

McAllister, as the ballerina from Paris and her partner, caught the right spirit, but everyone else could actually be much furnier if they would exaggerate less. Tudor was willing for the humour to be broader on large stages, and

before less sophisticated audiences, but this performance went beyond a joke, converting his sly comedy into over-

JOHN PERCIVAL

#### THEATRE

the work.

DANCE

Insider creates

chance to shine

#### Trouble in Trinidad

A WEEK after his colloquial Caribbean Odyssey opened at Stratford comes another Derek Walcott play, also following the troubled course of a voyager, though here the journey is undertaken through time, not space.

THE last of the Australian Ballet's

three programmes for London com-

bines a work lately created for them

with two ballets from 1937-38 by

choreographers of the English School.

Stanton Welch, a young member of the corps de ballet, shows off his fellow

dancers splendidly in Of Blessed Memory. From constantly changing groups, one soloist after another

emerges to dazzle us with the ebullience, vivacity and exhibaration of their

presentation. Vicki Attard, Fiona Ton-

kin. Justine Summers and David

McAllister stood out for their speed

and brilliance, but there was not a

The big love duet for Miranda. Coney and Steven Heathcote is touch-

ing and warm in both composition

and performance, but elsewhere in the

ballet the partnering tends to look too

contrived. Welch uses his mother, the

company's former ballerina Marilyn

Jones, to provide a quiet focal point for

the action, but the intermittent theme

of the relationship of child and parent

does not really hold the ballet's parts

together. Weich gets carried away

inventing new confrontations, attrac-

tive in themselves for their comradely

or fliratious or impassioned nature,

but not making any total statement: he

is stronger on short-term invention

Kristian Fredrikson's decor of spiky

weak link in the cast.

than overall form.

Instead of a sequence of islands we have Walcott's own Trinidad, glimpsed in the 25 years before and after its independence. In this period fortunes are seen to change mightily: a maid becomes Minister for Education. a stableboy takes to the hills to fight for the cause of Black Power, their erstwhile employers, a wealthy Creole family, see their power eroded, loving the island but, as whites, no longer loved. No longer even wanted. Outspoken Miss Aggie, who arrives in 1947 to be governess to the Delafontaine

children, is in 1970 "invited" to leave. Playwrights never put downtrodden governesses into their plays. A stage governess always comes bouncing in. full of fancy ideas for improving the lot of the underdog, and before you can say "Siam" some middle-aged gentleman is tormented with unspoken

Miss Aggie runs true to type. A cockney redhead with a London School of Economics degree, she arrives as a whimsical Marxist and somehow lets herself be transformed into a grande dame with a cut-glass accent, all Trinidad her kingdom. The transformation is helped by having her played by two actresses. Catherine Russell (overdoing the perky "sparrer" routine) and Jill Brassington.

The other adult characters make do

The Last Carnival

Australian Ballet

Coliseum

trees, beautifully lit by William Akers,

looks marvellous on the Coliseum

stage, and Joanna Cole sings expressively and vividly the over-long selec-tion from Canteloube's Chants d'Auvergne, which gives Welch's ballet

its rhythmic but hardly its emotional

Ninette de Valois's Checkmate has

not been seen here lately, and its bold allegory of the battle between Love and

Death as a chess game comes over

forcefully. How odd to hear the triumph of malice over chivalry cheered at the end. The playing of the

first night cast was a little one-sided:

Lisa Pavane showed the power of the

Black Queen, but less so her seductive-

ness. Colin Peasley let the Red King's

pathos hide his shreds of authority. But

the strength of the ensemble carried

Antony Tudor's Gala Performance,

absent from the London stage since

1966, caused so much merriment

among spectators presumably seeing it

for the first time that it seems churlish

to mention that the choreographer

wanted his sty jokes about ballerinas'

mannerisms to be much more subtly

played. Justine Miles and David

gracious Agatha can smile fondly at

becoming a lady? Walcott tries to tell too much of his island's complex story for one play. It is because she is white that Aggie comes imperceptibly to see the blacks as servants, and a poignant theme is the decline of the whites, victims of the colonial past. Yet the black stableboy's

Watteau parallel alone nor integrate it

JEREMY KINGSTON

CONCERT

#### Cheered but chilled

PERFORMANCES of Stockhausen's Sternklang (Star Sound), composed in 1971, are rare; this was the first time the piece had been played in Britain under the correct conditions. Perhaps that is not so surprising if one considers its raison d'être and what those conditions are. The work, says the composer, is "intended as a preparation for beings from other stars and for the day of their arrival". And the piece requires five widely-separated groups and a central percussionist equipped with a gigantic tamtam to play and sing in a park, at sundown in summer, when the Moon is full:

Thanks to the keen participation of groups from Anglia Polytechnic, the Birmingham Contemporary Music Group, Birmingham Conservatoire, Birmingham University, and the Midlands Arts Centre (under whose auspices the event, part of the Buropean Arts Festival, took place), and to the co-operation of Birmingham City Council in allowing Cannon Hill Park to be used as a venue, those conditions were fulfilled. But it was hard to savour the mystic atmosphere of the Stimmunglike sounds for very nearly three hours. when the night was so chilly, the ground so damp, and your critic equipped with neither blanker, over-

coat nor full stomach. Mind you, there were those more willing to submerge themselves into the piece's spirit; the over-serious young, for example, and the aged hippies who lay flat on their backs staring at the sky as the stars emerged. But they were outnumbered by the

Sternklang Cannon Hill Park. Birmingham

picnickers, well prepared and chany, and the bemused wanderers like myself, ambling between the fragile instant bandstands.

Children played, dogs barked, and the general hubbub was ceaseless. Now and again through the crowd would rush a runner, singing or blowing something, preceded by a torch-bearer, carrying musical instructions for one or other of their neighbouring groups. Now and again, too, the percussionist would call the whole assembly to rhythmic order.

There was, true, an element of magic in the air as the sun set and the stars became visible. But the nearest thing to a visitor from outer space was the odd sircraft on its way to the airport down the road, and actually the most pleasurable experience of the evening was the wonderful fireworks display at the piece's mid-point. Otherwise, every the composer, who directed this perfor mance, and strolled around the park with consort and miniature camera at hand, looked as though he wished he were a few hundred miles further south. There the summer climate would surely be more conducive to sliens, and, more seriously, to our pondering on the infinite.

STEPHEN PETTITT

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#### RECITAL

#### Last sitting today for a light, satisfying lunch

before she found the piano's best sonoriiv). The slow moveCécile Ousset

Bishopsgate Hall ment, far from lugubrious, almost glowed with pleasure, and the finale, if not specially

witty, was at least vivacious. Debussy's three Estampes became translated into visual images of the mind under her subtle fingers and clear articulation. The glistening oriental tracery of "Pagodes" rising to

majestic substance contrasted with a knowingly sultry "Soirce dans Gre-nade" that also displayed pride in its rhythmic momentum, and the child-

fice followed them in a kind of

celebratory display of dazzling bravura.

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## Hope consigned to its deathbed

ominous installation at the Anthony d'Offay Gallery is ing a deserted dornitory of the dead. Illuminated by clinical striplighting more suited to a hospital than an architical striplication. than an exhibition space, the white-walled room is filled with rudimentary, metal-framed beds. Uninhabited and devoid even of pillows, they stir memories of the desolate asylum wards brought to light inthe revolutions in Eastern Europe.

But Kiefer has no intention of reconstructing a particular institu-tion. His aim is far wider and more difficult to pin down. Walking through the rows of beds, all covered with rumpled mattresses made of lead, we notice

hand-written strips of brown paper stapled above them. Each bears the name of a woman, and among the 27 in-scribed, the most familiar point to a specific period: Madame Récamier, Charlotte Corday and Ma-

dame de Stael

Does the installation deal, then. with the gruesome aftermath of the most bloody and turbulent episode in French history? Kiefer would seem to endorse such a view, by writing "Die Frauen der Revolution" in funereal black letters on the back wall. But nobody should imagine that the bed-lined chamber is replete with further references to tumbrels, guillotines or the assassi-

nation of Marat Unlike Jacques-Louis David, who painted the murdered revolutionary siumped in his bath, Kiefer shies away from ensuring that the beds refer directly to the women he names. No martyred figures lie on them, as in David's glacial homage. Instead, the cavities sunk into each mattress contain pools of water, and a bucket under one bed catches the liquid as it soaks through.

This beamirching increases the air of decay, suggesting that the room has been exposed to rainfall through a dilapidated roof. The hollows also have a macabre quality, as if atrocities were committed on the mattresses before the removal of the corpses. On the whole however, Kiefer resists the emphasion to include in Grand Guignal Al-though a pair of forceps lies aboudoned, hinting at some terrible medical calamity, the wrinkled lead surfaces end up looking above all like despoiled landscapes. In this respect, the installation

'Kiefer rules out the prospect of regeneration in a world

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graph of a man in army greatcost. and boots. Walking along a track as puddle-strewn as the beds, he is reminiscent of the artist himself in Kicier's early Heroic Allegories. The wire fencing beside him belongs to a military site of some kind. And Kiefer's shadowy presence appears to be meditaring on the way that, time, the country so often yields - either from the

ings of the German countryside.

ravaged by decades of conflict. If the waterlogged beds refer most strong-

ly to the crater-torn, mud-heavy

terrain of the first world war, they

cannot be limited to such references.

Kiefer encourages us to think in larger terms. For here, on the end wall, a large sheet of lead supports a creased black-and-white photo-

Around the corner of the room,

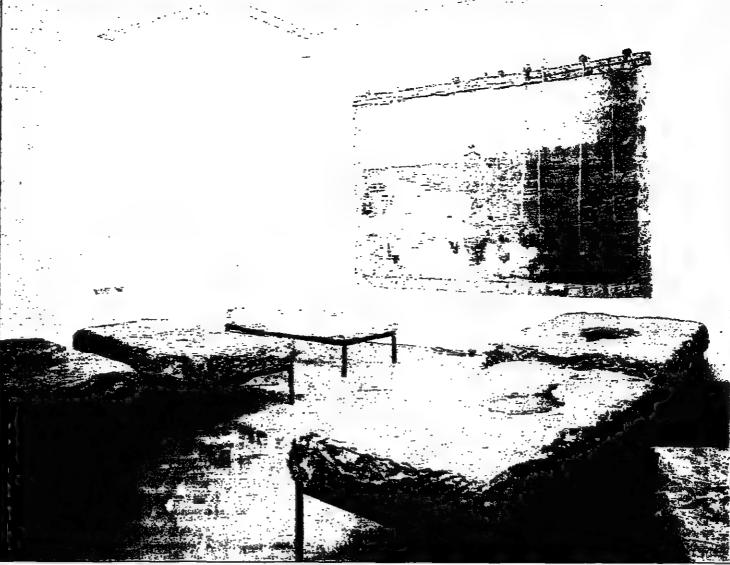
past or as a future In order to reinforce the metaphor of a stricken earth, Kiefer has inverted nine and hung them in front of the photograph. Their heads dangle

near the water and mud in the foreground, as if to stress that there is no hope of plant-life ever springing renewed and upright from earth to sky. The equally lifeless flowers scattered across the mattresses and gallery floor, accompanied by occasional clods of earth with fragments of dolls embedded in them, seem to bear out this pessimistic conclusion. As the end of the century approaches. Kiefer rules out the prospect of senuine regeneration in a Europe an world exhausted by protracted

and traumatic hostilities.

Why, therefore, did he place so much of the work's initial emphasis on the role of revolutionary women? The installation's title echoes a book ealled Les Femmes de la Révolution by the eminent 19th-century French historian Jules Michelet, who high-lighted the feminine contribution to the passionate idealism behind that great insurrection. But nothing is left of the vitality with which they once participated in a national upheaval. Even if the women live on in history, they have no presence

Noz is the prospect of imminent resurrection held out in any area of the room. Destruction is the paramount theme wherever you look. and the hint of a concentration camp adds to the prevailing despair. By showing himself striding away



A partial view of Anselm Kiefer's installation, Die Frauen der Revolution, at the Anthony d'Offay Gallery

in the photograph. Riefer appears to be turning his back on all the hopes which revolution once aroused. The collapse of communism, far from giving grounds for optimism, only ms to have confirmed his belief in the inevitable demise of all insurgent causes. But the development of democratic alternatives arouses no discernible enthusiasm in Kiefer, who is bent on underlining his gloomy presentiments to an almost perverse degree. This unnerving chamber is not a place to linger in for very long. Its remorseless dwelling on futility and death makes it as llent as a morgue.

Like the figure in the photograph. who insists on continuing to trudge across the wintry terrain. Kiefer is saddled with an imagination that never moves far away from this foriorn locale. In the upstairs d'Offay gallery, where some of his recent paintings and sculpture are displayed, the landscape is equally bleak. One untitled picture is dominated by the form of a lead acroplane with a bent propellor. Redolent of wartime again, the machine is mired in a dark and glutinous ground as cheerless as the countryside in the photograph.

Several paintings are filled, to the point of congestion, with dead foxgloves and delphiniums. Kiefer calls them Evil Flowers in one picture, and they threaten to obscure the ruined buildings which moulder behind them. The exact identity of these derelict structures is not disclosed, but their classical severity and grandeur allies them with the fascist architecture in so many of Kiefer's previous paintings.

Now, however, the desiccated flowers and leaves rob them of their former presence. They become little

more than a faded, intermittent hackdrop for the palpable reality of the withered plants. And in the largest of the paintings, Left wing, Right wing, Kiefer's sardonic title implies that the buildings may just as easily be remnants of communist regimes. They have become as obsolescent as their Nazi counterparts, and the exterminated foxgloves ranged before them in a melancholy frieze indicate that the ground has been polluted beyond

The entire exhibition proves that Kiefer remains an incurable memorialist. Everything he makes is imbued with an elegiac spirit as though his art draws its fundamental impulse from a lacerating sense of loss. Is he also motivated by a fear that the negation he explores so indefatigably will one day affect his own capacity to invent? The ques-

tion is raised in an acute form by a sculpture enclosed in a glass container, from the top of which a twisted, ladder-like length of metal is suspended over dry, heaped clay. At some stage, this useless length of track might have been instrumental in mining the ground. But now it merely dangles, the victim perhaps of a bombing raid or the realisation that the once-fecund earth has become parched and barren.

The paradox is that Kiefer has an Eliot-like capacity to draw strength from the wasteland and feed off this all-pervasive sterility. His art is a perpetual warning never to forget the catastrophes of the past, and he shows no sign of relinquishing his

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TELEVISION

#### Dawn's chorine

WHEN we are totally Eurohomogenised. Spanish breasts and buπocks — lightly attached to incomprehensible plots - will doubtless be appearing on network television in Britain most nights. So enjoy Channel 4's hilarious Spanish import, Riders of the Dawn, while such things are

comparative novelties. The breasts and buttocks mostly belong to Victoria Abril: nothing here that admirers of such saucy Pedro Almodóvar epics as Tie Me Up! Tie Mc Down! won't have seen many times before. She plays Marian, the daughter of a hotel manager in a spa town during the years just before the Spanish Civil War.

But in this subtitled drama series, room is also found for cameo appearances by other ungin loins; of the woman who owns the hotel, and her lesbian lover (Marian's mother). Also appearing, in various stages of undress, are the proprietor's lesbian lover's lover (a hermit, male, otherwise given to making lewd suggestions to his wooden Madonna); and the proprietor's toy-boy, who seduces Marian - or perhaps he was lunching off her neck. Note, too, the three young anti-fascist rebels. They have also removed all their clothes, apparently because they got wet in the rain. What of the plot? Between

the bouts of backstairs bonking, news of the worsening political climate is mostly conveyed by elderly hotel resi-dents reading newspaper reports to each other.

Let us not forget the wild horses, however, galloping riderless through the dawn mists. Each time the horses appear, a character is able to utter a doom-laden aphorism: "The horses go in search of better pastures." "One day the horses will rise up." or "The next time they pass they will carry the Four Horsemen.'

What we are dealing with here is heavy Spanish symbolism. It will not get any lighter as the weeks go by. For the hotel and its decadent owner, read Spain herself. For the wild horses, read the naked revolutionaries. You get the idea. Who will grasp the reins of power as Spain's stallions stampede towards the stable of Destiny? I sense that there is a lot more to be laid bare yet.

> RICHARD MORRISON

GALLERIES: TRIBUTE EXHIBITION

#### Living on in the memory



hough Edward Bewden died three years ago, aged 86, Tribute to Edward Bawden at the Fine Art Society is the first real memorial exhibition. One reason for this is no doubt that the Victoria and Albert retrospective just before his death was clearly a sort of lifetime achievement award. But another must be that Bawden went on working, and pulling surprises, right up to the end; even today it is difficult to close the book and consign him definitively to the past.

The continuing presence of Bawden is a theme of the show. It is partly a summary of his amazingly varied achieve-ment, but it is also a personal tribute by friends and associates to the man and his lasting influence. A few of the artists who appear in this show come from something like Bawden's own generation. among them Carel Weight. Michael Rothenstein and even Leonard Rosoman, a young whipper-snapper of 79 whose new picture Peyton Skipworth and Edward Bawden represents the man by his work in the actual interior of the Fine Art Society.

But most of the living artists shown are up to half a century younger than Bawden. And

A show of and for Edward Bawden,

reviewed by John

Russell Taylor

there seems to be nothing incongruous in their working today in a style which, if it does not imitate Bawden's own, at least emulates it in the most lively and flattering way. Bawden, though never exactly avant-garde, was in his own fashion an innovator. It was the fashion of the eccentric individual who sees things in his own way, without reference to trends and fashions, and willy-nilly develops his own style of expression.

n the previous generation Stanley Spencer was the great exemplar of this approach; his originality has been recognised because he was obtrusive about his own peculiarity. Bawden, on the other hand, was quiet about his: like all true eccentrics he could not see that he was eccentric at all. And for someone so wrapped in his own cocoon, he was amazingly capable of dealing with the world outside this show is full July 31

of examples of his successful industrial design, in the form of wallpapers, tiles for London Transport, advertising and commercial art.

The important thing about Bawden's style is that it is timeless. Nowadays, it fits comfortably into a vaguely heritage context, but it is not confined to that. His particular hallmark was an intense strength of line, which went with a hold simplification of form, sometimes to the point of seeming almost naïve.

While still at art school he gathered round him a group of like-minded students, among them Eric Ravilious (whose splendid portrait of Bawden painting is included here) and Douglas Percy Bliss. both of whom were influenced

Later, when he settled at Great Bardfield, in Essex, he became the centre of a regiongroup which included Michael Rothenstein, Edwin Smith and Olive Cook, Kenneth Rowntree and his own son Richard Bawden. whose death study of Edward here touchingly matches Edward's own death study of his father 37 years earlier.

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FRENCH rock has never quite ing the Channel. let alone the Atlantic. A punk group

made a brief ap-pearance over here in the 1970s. but French punks were much too stylish and could never summon enough rebellion to spit convincingly. Johnny Halliday is still the only French rock star the British can name, but would they admit to owning one of his records?

Rejected wholesale by the United States' rock market, and even struggling to get on to the eminently European MTV video station. French musicians have retreated to traditional folk roots. We are not talking about the accordion here. France has attracted the finest musicians from all over the Francophone world, in particular from North and West Africa, and following them, the pre-eminent players of world music

The French like their pop music easy and uncomplicated. This is not the case for jazz, however: France imports quantities of the finest jazz, fusion and blues talent. Most of the big stadium rock shows are over for the summer, leaving room for a lot of high calibre, if not high volume, gatherings.

Grande Parade du Jazz, Nice July 18: Yousson N'Dour. Joe Zawinul Syndicate and Salif Keita July 19: Mory Kante, Youssou N'Dour, Wynton Marsalis. Angelique Kidjo

Dee Bridgewater July 21: BB King For a terrible moment, Senegales superstar Youssou N'Dour left his traditional settings, piercing vocals and breathtaking percussion, to be smoothed and packaged by Peter Gabriel. He now sings in English. but has recovered his balance with

July 20: Wynton Marsalis. Dee

a finely tuned, commercial African sound. Angelique Kidjo from Benin has done likewise, making waves on the London dance scene with her hugely energetic pop/funk and African rhythms. Among jazz heavyweights in Nice is BB King. blues man with a quasi-religious following. The setting is great, towering over the town among Roman ruins and a waterfall. Jazz on three stages from 6pm to midnight

Tickets: FFr ! 50 per evening. Contact/venue: Jardins des Arènes de Cimiez, Nice (93 71 89 60).

Tamaris rock festival, Brittany July 18: The Cramps, MC Solaar, Linton Kwesi Johnson. James. PJ Harvey, Bernard Allison, Fishbone. Massilia Sound System, Thousand Yard Stare An extraordinary mixture of acts. including dub poet Johnson, who has recently revived his protest songs after a long but thoughtful silence; wild American horror show The Cramps, whose pre-punk cult following has earned a few movie cameos for the wonderfully named Lux Interior, and James, mild Mancunians of indie pop. The later additions to this compendium of Anglo rock are hard-edged songstress PJ Harvey and Thousand Yard Stare, harmless, derivative London indie pop.

Tickets: FFr190 at the gate. Contact/venue: L'Orée du Bois, Moriaix, near Roscoff, Brittany (98

Aix en musique, Aix-en-Provence

July 18, 22, 27: Midsummer Night's Dream by Benjamin Britten, with James Bowman July 20, 25, 28, 30: The Rake's Progress by Stravinsky July 21, 24, 26, 29, 31: Don Giovanni by Mozart, with Andreas Schmidt as the Don. Mozart's Prague Symphony and Beethoven's Missa Solemnis, Vivaldi and Schubert and other old favourites fill the gaps between operas in a highly enjoyable, challenge-free programme. Britten's Dream was so popular last year they have brought it back for a

Tickets: from FFr90. Contact/venue: Théatre de l'Archevěchě, Aix-en-Provence (42 21 69

Festival de la Côte d'Opale. Nord Pas-de-Calais July 18: Inlandsis, John Mc-

second run.



Still potent after all these years: the veteran American guitarist. Buddy Guy, headlines at the Festival de la Côte d'Opale nuit des blues next weekend.

## Rock across the channel

July 21: Marie-Catherine Honvault and Pascal Gaillard. Jacques Perry, Elisabeth Boulanger, Soeur Marie Keyrouz July 23: Nilda Fernandez, Donovan July 24: Alex Metayer July 25: Nuit des Blues: Calvin Russell, Buddy Guy

July 26: William Sheller and the national orchestra of Lille. John McLaughlin plays classical music on jazz guitar. Remarkable to see Donovan, still live after all these years. Buddy Guy, the American blues veteran with a voice that can still raise the hairs on the back of the neck after 40 years, has a touch of the James Brown's on stage, but his virtuosity is more than equal to the pomp and stomp. The rare, powerful voices of Nilda Fernandez and the Lebanese Soeur Marie Keyrouz are definitely worth

the trip. Tickets: FFr80-120 (FFr60-100 concessions. FFr300 for four shows, FFr600 for all shows). Contact: 26 rue Ernest Harry, Boulogne-sur-Mer (21 30 40 33).

Le Suquet, near Cannes Alps

July 18: soprano Wilhemina Fernandez sings Schubert and Strauss, Berg, Copland. July 22-23: pianist Gabriel Tacchino, the festival host, plays Saint-Saens, Chausson, Bizet. Rossini and Dvorák.

Highlights of a festival which runs to July 27, starring the glorious voice of Diva star Fernandez. including chamber music and orchestras from France and Italy. Tickets from FFr120. Contact (92 99 31 08)



Place au jazz, Montpellier

July 20: A Tribute to Miles Davis - Wayne Shorter, Herbie

July 21: Salif Keita: Joe Zawinul Syndicare World class musicians meet in the

university city. Mali's prince of music. Salif Keita, whose powerful. soaring voice stunned Britain in his album Soro, further distinguished himself by recording an album with Miles Davis. More of Davis' students pay tribute. Tickets: FFr150 on July 20,

FFr120 on July 21. Contact/venue: Prades-les-Lez. near Montpellier (67 59 66 54).

Jazz à Juan, Côte d'Azur July 20: Ray Charles July 21: John McLaughlin, A Tribute to Miles Davis - Wayne Shorter, Herbie Hancock July 22: Sonny Rollins



Also making an appearance: Wilhemina Fernandez, Poison Ivy of the Cramps and Ray Charles

July 25: In Memory of Miles: the Keith Jarrett trio July 27: Joe Cocker

One of the legendary soul stirrers on the summer circuit. Ray Charles still has a vast popular following. proving that old legends do not die, they make commercials. Miles Davis's one time (although at different times) students and collaborators continue their tour: Keith Jarrett on the piano, with Gary Peacock and Jack de Johnette. Tickets: FFr165-225.

Contact/venue: La Pinède Goulde. Juan les Pins (93 61 04 98).

World Music in Paris July 21-23: Fanfares Indiennes July 24-26: Drummers of Burundi

Free concerts by brilliant traditional musicians - horns from India and the spectacular, breathtaking drummers. All concerts from in the

Jardin de Luxembourg. July 21-25: Mahabarata, tradition-

al Indian music, sitars, the works. Location to be announced, tickets from FFr70. Contact: (40 28 40 33). Rock in the Arena at Niznes

July 21: New Orleans Revue -Willy De Ville, Zachary Richard, Eddie Bo, Wild Magnolias. Joe Cocker

The Roman amphitheatre is a dramatic venue for this hearty hoedown in the name of nostalgia. including Dr John, flushed with the success of his new album Goin' Back to New Orleans. Respectable jazz with De Ville's Spanish-style rhythm and blues to hot things up. Tickets: FFr | 70. Contact: (66 67 28 02).

Classical music in the arena at August 1: Verdi's Requiem, the

ducted by Jerry Semkov. Tickets: From FFr50 at 10pm. Contact for both events: The Arena, Nîmes (66 67 28 02).

Fête le mur. Blaye, Gironde July 24: Straw Dogs. Swervedriver, Gilles Tandy, Jad

July 25: Ned's Atomic Dustbin, Mega City Four, Therapy The wild guitars of Ned's Atomic Dustbin from Birmingham, will face little competition from the French half of this poppy festival. A lot of noise to be had by all. Tickets: FFr100 per day, FFr150

Contact/venue: The Citadel, Blaye. (57 64 90 90). Aigniflon Festival, Lot-et-

July 30: Mami Dibango July 31: Chick Corea August 1: Phil Woods and Saxomania August 2: Richard Galliano and Ron Carter, Eddy Louiss quin-

Rustic France at the movies. By day, jamming in the woods with wholesome types on acoustic guitars and yes, accordions. Don't let anyone tell you this is how musicians really want to live. Manu Dibango, statesman of African music, joins the statesmen of jazz. Tickets: FFr3,000 for eight days with lodging and half board. Contact/venue: Château des Ducs,

Aiguillon, Lot et Garonne (53 79 One Love Festival, Paris August 2: Julian Marley, Aswad, Andrew Tosh, Third World Omar Reggae, rap, raggamuffin from the

second generation of major league Jamaican reggae and roots, Marley and Tosh. Aswad's statuesque stage presence makes up for the banality of their politicised Contact/venue: Hippodrome de Vincennes (40 09 10 12).

Festival Interceltique de Lorient, Brittany August 10: Murray Head August 13: Oyster Band August 14: Sons of the Desert August 16: Erik Marchand Trio Reunion of western celts: a kind of meet the folk week. A huge number of bands on themed nights (Nuit des Cornemuses. La Passion Celtique, you get the idea) embroidery. cookery, lute-making, bag-pipes and folk songs. After failing to find a niche in the British market, Anglo-Irish band Sons of the Desert is taking its hotch-potch of blues, rock and folk to the Continent to seek its fortune. Oyster Band has the same crossover of rock and folk. Tickets: FFr120 for main shows (FFr100 concessions), others from

Contact: (97 21 24 29). Cimes Rock, Annecy, the Alps August 14: FFF, Littiba, The Wallies, Geoffrey Oryema, Axel

Bauer, Kent August 15: Murray Head, Jack Bon, Marc Minelli, Les Innocents Alain Ortega, Calvin Russell An Amnesty International benefit. Oryema, one of the few important artists to emerge from Uganda, is now living in Paris. A stirring. political vocalist. Free camping. Tickets: FFr140 per day, both days Contact/venue: Le Semnoz, Anne

-cy (50 52 79 35).

musique dans la rue, Uzes August 19-21: Itaru Oki, Philippe Gatell, Roger Abaji, Juan Jazz, rhythm 'n blues, flamenco, rock, classical and acoustic playing all over the small town of Uzes from 9pm to Jam every night, all free. Contact: (66 22 79 21).

Fêtes de la mer. St-Namire August 21: Linton Kwesi Johnson, Lt Stitchie, Subsize August 22: Boukman Eksperians, Ounga Neges August 23: Francisco Ulioa Roving world music festival which this year lights on the Carlbbean. with powerful dub poetry from Jamaica (via the UK), vandou rock from Haiti and merengué from Dominica's Francisco Ulioa. Very good value. Tickets: FFr25 per day, FFr60 for

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three days. Contact: (40 53 03 75).

Festival Frog and Roll 92, Lillers, Nord pas-de-Calais August 28: The Troggs, The Pretty Things, Jim McCarthy Blues Band, Mick Clarke Band August 29: Stiff Little Fingers. Eddie and the Hot Rods, Molodoi. Creepy Crawly Boys
Truly eclectic. The Troggs, leftovers
from Sixties psychedelia, are staging a less-than-resounding comeback. Stiff Little Fingers have got

older, but luckily no wiser; isn't it kind of sad to see one-hit wonder Eddie and the Hot Rods are still on the road? French punk revival will be worth witnessing, as they were all pretty soft in the first place. Tickets: FFr130 per day, both days FFr220. Contact: Lillers (21 64 07 65).

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#### TOMORROW

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#### **Lesson 1: the French know best**



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

with France are fleeting. VI and protected within a school group. But they are vivid, at least according to the many people who responded to my appeal for readers' first impressions of life across the Channel. Stephen Smoczynski still keeps his St Christopher souvenir on his keyring from a 1969 day trip to Boulogne. "Waiting for the return ferry, I repressed an impulse to jump aboard the Paris train." Even though their geography teacher's main instruction was "not to come back to the ferry dead drunk", the atmosphere had ravished him. Especially a French family lounging on their cabin cruiser, daughter in swimsuit "and father in a Sergeant Pepper moustache swigging gin from the bottle. I thought. you don't see that at Bray Lock!"

Margaret Cox, from Bexleyheath, found herself shouted at by boys in the street. "We looked up the one word we caught. To our horror and delight it meant 'thighs'. Good God, what else had we missed?... when I got back I realised I was hooked on France for ever."

Others brave a full term's exchange or longer, and are plunged entirely into French school life. winning a lifelong understanding far deeper than any holidaymaker could expect. Sometimes at a price. The award for most hair-raising experiences must go to Pat Walker, who in 1924, at the age of nine. went to a Lycee de Jeunes Filles in Normandy, whose counterpart, she tartly observes, could be found "in any English slum". All the other children had wooden clogs over plaited straw slippers, and she had Daniel Neal lace-ups. Most oddities she took in her stride, as nineyear-olds will. "I learned to play hopscotch, that Le Bon Roi Dagobert was a real person, and quickly changed from duodecimal to metric maths." A few things alarmed her, particularly the lavatories. "After finding that they were perpetually bunged up and had

non-flushing bowls I asked if I could use the headmistress's lavatory." Likewise the sewing lessons, where "everyone took off their thick, sweaty stockings and handed them to their neighbours for mending", appailed her. But she gamely fitted in, even kissing the ring of the Bishop of Rennes.

The French passion for rotelearning startled a good few correspondents. The Bendall family of Cambridge spent nine months at a French school in the 1970s. The nine and 12-year-old girls went, their mother recalls. by Metro. with their cartables on their backs ... every evening we all worked at the devoirs". By the end of it they all, including parents, knew numerous mathematical formulae in French. Their mother also remembers France's obsession with its own geography: the children had to learn the numbers and chefs-lieux and sous-préfectures (smaller towns) of every local authority département . . . How many English children could reel off the names of all our counties?

But educational differences seem to have mattered little down the decades, next to the great and

mysterious cultural gap. Denne, in a French school in the 1960s, found "mild distaste and great fascination" in the French boy's sport of catching May-bugs and fixing streamers of lavatory paper to them. But a few days later one of the English boys stole some money, and the group held a formal council and decided to cane the culprit, one stroke each. "A bamboo stick was found," writes Mr Denne. "and the sentence curried out before breakfast. Afterwards all eight of us shook hands." The French boys watching expressed, in turn "mild distaste and great fascination . . ."
Many a hapless English school-

child on an Easter term exchange has walked down the street on April I with the traditional foil poisso dravril stuck risibly to their back with a burr. Many girls have gaped in affront at the French nunly habit of reading personal letters and chaperoning male teachers in class. Yet Patricia Taylor, on the feast day of St Catherine the patroness of unmarried girls, found herself at her convent school "utterly shocked to see, though a haze of smoke, Mere de Bazelaire with a packet of



cigarettes and a box of matches. walking around pressing all the girls to take one". Christine Hearne was sent off on

a ferry with a luggage label in the 1950s, when she was ten. The Reverend Mother belped her unpack. "I can even now remember her horror that I had not brought a mysterious item called a gant de toilette'. I had no idea what this might be but was immediately taken down to the shops to buy one. It turned out to be a flannel in the shape of a mitten. English face cloths were not deemed sufficient."



She had already learnt the first thing about the French: that they know best. The theme of brisk: French inflexibility and English

these first encounters.

But perhaps the most sobering observations are from Richard Gordon, a Scot who spent a formative term in a provincial Lycee in the 1980s. Coming from a ; Midlothian comprehensive, the teenager was astonished that "there" was no violence. That in liself was to show us up as barbarians? like a cloud lifting on my world. where receiving and dealing vio-

anxiety to please recurs through all

lence was a bedrock of the school culture." Nor was there any of "the appalling pressure to adhere to strict group norms in dress, behaviour, and attitude. In Scotland if my socks were different it was remarked upon and ridiculed as a means of group tyranny. Individuality was violently discouraged, with the acquiescence of staff."

His French friends, above all, were happy to be young. "Not for

them the desperate attempts to look hard and act tough. They had an appreciation of what is good of life, appreciation of what is good of me, from friendship to food, and an understanding of, rather than rebellion against, the formalities that attend such pleasures. Descriptions of the years of fighting timetabled into my education horrified them. My schooldays in France supported my belief that the system I grew up in was wrong and unpleasant." His reflections might give uneasy food for thought as British football fans rampage and a former Westminster School headmaster, John Rae, observes in print that the young British fight because that is what they do best". Is it in the culture all the way from Tom Brown's Schooldays to the Heysel stadium? And does it take an alien culture, afbeit with its own failings,

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## Why can't we cope with a crisis?

Basic life-saving can be learnt in hours — yet even many professionals are useless in a medical emergency. Now pressure

is growing for more first aid training, Liz Gill reports

eart failure is the most death among middleaged men and many of them will die in front of their families. Tony Kemp says it is because of this that so many y middle-aged women come to the first aid courses he runs: their husbands died and they were

Mr Kemp is a senior training officer for the British Red Cross, and despite the fact that his organisation trains 90,000 people a year in the skills of first aid—and St John Ambulance more than 200,000 — he says the overall picture is alarming. "Most people walk away from someone lying unconscious or injured and that includes doctors and puress" he includes doctors and nurses," he says. "For the professionals there's partiy the fear of being sued. But it's also that they often do not know

Viewers of Casualty and other medical television dramas might be forgiven for thinking that all doctors and nurses possess emergency life-saving skills and are ready to spring into action with mouth-tomouth resuscitation and chest com-

pression at the first sign of a crisis.

Sadly it seems life is unlikely to imitate art. A study of 24 consultants at Bedford General Hospital, published last week, found that all performed "extremely poorty" when asked to employ such techniques on a dummy, and 42 percent were unable to score any marks at all. According to Jeremy Saunders, a consultant gastroenterologist at the hospital and one of the authors of the report, ability levels elsewhere are likely to be

Mr Kemp says that a recent survey of 40 nurses showed that only one would have been successful at cardiopulmonary resuscita-tion, and his own research at a nurses' conference unearthed ideas. that would have been downright dangerous if put into practice.

have pulled a spinal injury patient all over the place. Treating some-one in the street is very different from treating someone on a hospital trolley, where you have all the equipment around you."

If some of the experts get it wrong, there is little wonder that ordinary people are scared of doing anything. Mr Kemp says: "I don't think it's callousness or even the fear of catching something. It might be British reserve, although there's no evidence that things are better on the Continent. They're afraid of interfering or making things worse, or can't face the fact that someone is so seriously ill."

Mr Kemp witnessed a classic example of both professional and public incompetence only a few days ago when he came to the aid of a woman who had slumped unconscious in a train at London's Victoria station. "I heard about it because someone came running through the train. When I got to that compartment, there must have been 80 people there and only one man was prepared to help me and he had not been willing to initiate anything by himself. Then a passenger who was an anaesthetist appeared and said, 'Let's intubate' [put a tube down the throat to clear the airway]. I said, "Your place or mine?" That summed it all up, a carriage of 80 people not doing a thing and a doctor wanting his

What makes it all so absurd, he says, is that in two hours you can learn the principles of how to save a life. This would include: warning signs of a heart attack, mouth-tomouth resuscitation and external thest compression techniques; the ability to clear an airway, put someone in the recovery position and deal with choking and severe bleeding: and how to call an ambulance (which means explaining what you think may be wrong so that the right team can be sent). Two hours of training for Dr Saunders's colleagues brought

burn, for instance. Another would marked improvements. None scored zero and two thirds scored maximum marks. "The theory is straightforward but these are essentially practical skills, which is why you must regularly update and refresh them at least once a year if you are not in the front line," Dr Saunders says.

His findings echo those of other studies at St Bartholomew's hospital in London and Addenbrooke's in Cambridge several years ago. which prompted recommendations from the Royal College of Physicians that every hospital should have its own resuscitation training

o far only about 40 have them, mainly because of financial constraints, though Andrew Marsden. an accident and emergency consultant at Pinderfields hospital in Wakefield and a medical director of St John Ambulance, believes this will improve in time.
"The Royal Colleges are putting

pressure on hospitals to make better training provision, although I'd rather see legislation. At the mo-ment it's sporadic. Some hospitals train all the staff who have contact with patients. In others there is too much reliance on the crash team [the hospital emergency team]."

Public knowledge is very patchy, he says. A poll of over 2,200 holidaymakers by St John Ambu-lance last month found that only 62 per cent knew how to treat sunburn, 78 per cent a wasp sting in the mouth, 71 per cent a child with stomach pains and 69 per cent a cut foot. Those who got it wrong could in some circumstances have endangered lives.

Dr Marsden would like to see the most vital elements of first aid taught in schools from as early as eight — the organisation runs such a course but take-up depends on individual schools - and in the workplace. The law requires one in every 50 employees to hold a first



might be preferable to offer the basic skills to a large number rather than the advanced to a few.

"Beyond that, information could be linked to whatever is appropriate, so, for instance, antenatal classes could teach you about a sick baby, a driving test could include a test on what to do at a road accident, holiday companies could give advice on holiday problems." Dr Marsden says.

The big problem for the would-be first aider of course is whether manager for St Bartholomew's City

one might make matters worse. Dr Marsden says: "There is a danger of over-confidence. We always stress that first aid is exactly that: what you do until you can hand

someone over to a professional." Most experts agree, however, that if someone is not breathing and has no pulse, almost anything is better than nothing. The brain can last only four minutes without

oxygen. Fiona Whimster, the scheme

Life Saver courses, which offer twohour after-work sessions for the public, says: "People worry for instance about breaking a rib in chest compression, but if someone is not breathing and has no heart

beat, they will die anyway." The scheme, which began in 1986, has just trained its 20,000th person. So far 110 people have phoned as requested to say that they have used the skills they learnt. "Of course there's a gap between

#### WHAT WOULD YOU DO FIRST?

1. Your eight-year-old daughter careers through a glass patio door, not realising it is closed. She suffers severe cuts on her lower leg that are bleeding seriously and there is glass embedded in the cut. You would expect her to be screaming with pain and crying but she is lying still with her eyස closed.

2. An elderly male relative has to ask for a chair in a shop because he feels "slightly out of breath" and has "a slight twinge" in the chest and left arm.

3. Your five-year-old son complains of bad tummy ache, is in obvious pain and looks shocked. On questioning him it transpires he has swallowed some kitchen disinfectant.

4. You are alone in the house cooking a meal when you accidentally put your hand on a hot electric ring. Your hand is severely burnt and blistered as

5. Your wife is cutting the hedge with an electric trimmer when she accidentally hits an electric cable and suffers an electric shock. She collapses to the ground still holding the trimmer. You run to help her.

6. Your husband is digging in the garden and accidentally pierces his foot right through with the garden fork.

What you should do, below

not to baulk when it really happens," Ms Whimster says.

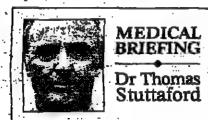
There appear to be no figures available on the number of lives saved by those trained in first aid. nor any projections about the number that could be saved. But Mr Kemp believes it would be substantial. "One of the saddest things I ever heard was a pathologist telling me that many of the young people who die in motorbike crashes died simply because their airway was obstructed."

#### **Light fingers surprised**

THE police warning that the bottle left by a doctor in a Harrods bag on a No. 14 bus in South Kensington, London, contained urine contaminated by leprosy will add anxiety to the disappointment which the thier must already feel. Did he, or she sniff the contents, hoping that they had stumbled across some exotic scent? Was some spilt on their hands as they tried to work out what their booty was?

If the urine was treated with less than scientific care would it matter? In medieval Europe there would have been no doubts; the church, and the state, having discovered that leprosy was spread by contact, imposed a regime of strict isolation on sufferers.

Lepers were torn from their families 19,000 lazarettos. As they were consigned to oblivion a funeral service was said for them because, so far as society was concerned, they were dead. If they didever venture out from their hospices they were distinctly dressed, carried a bell to warn unsuspecting fellow citizens of their presence, and were forbidden to speak except in whispers. They also carried a stick so that they could reach for goods in a shop without having to come too close to the shopkeeper. English lepers were



comparatively lucky. In the 14th century the inappropriately named Philip the Fair of France ordered that any infected subject should be burnt.

The thief can be reasonably certain that he will not suffer from handling the bacilius, Mycobacterium leprae, for lepro-sy is surprisingly difficult to catch as most people have a natural resistance to it. Leprosy can be spread by skin contact

but the usual method is from the inhalation of droplets from the sufferer's nose. The old adage that coughs and sneezes spread diseases applies as much to leprosy as it does to the common cold. Discovery of droplet transmission of leprosy has, over 600 years later, added support to the old edict that the outcasts

should only whisper. The cutaneous manifestations of the disease, the unsightly rashes pictured in every medical text book, are comparatively unimportant, for the significant damage is done by the penetration of the nerve by the leprosy bacillus. When the bacillus dies it sets up inflammation in the nerve which eventually leads to the nerve's

Deprived of the nerve supply the muscles wither and as patients lose the protection of the sensation of pain in the skin of the hands and feet, they can be irreparably damaged by minor burns and other injuries. The damage also affects fingers and toes, and in advanced cases other organs may become affected: men sometimes lose their testes.

If the light-fingered traveller on the lo.14 has joined the 1,200 people who over the last 50 years have developed leprosy while in Britain, the disease having been caught abroad, he or she need not despair. Modern treatment will rid the body of 99 per cent of the bacillus in a matter of days. If the strain of leprosy is resistent to dapsone (the standard drug), the present system of combined therapy — in which other drugs such as risampicil, closazime, prothionamide or ethionamide are used with dapsone will rapidly deal with the problem.

1. The most important function of the first alder is to ensure that the casualty's air passages remain open and clear, and that she is breathing adequately. The impact may have caused unconsciousness and she may have stopped breathing — a far more serious problem than the bleeding itself. Open her mouth and nose air passages by lifting the jaw and tilting back her

Remove any obvious obstruc-tion. Check breathing by listening at the mouth and looking for chest and abdomen movement. If she has stopped breathing begin resuscitation immediately. If you do not know how to do this, get yourself on a first aid course as soon as possible. To control bleed-ing and minimise risk of infection-look for glass in the wound but do not remove any glass embedded in the wound — it may be plugging the wound or you may inflict further tissue damage. Lift her leg ing the edges of the wound together alongside the glass. Gently place a piece of gauge over and/or around the glass and place

#### FIRST REACTIONS: THE ANSWERS

crescent-shaped pads of cotton or similar material around the wound. If possible, build up the padding until it is high enough to prevent pressure on the glass. Secure with a firm bandage. Otherwise leave glass protruding and secure with a diagonally applied bandage which must not apply pressure over the glass. Keep her as still as possible in case she has suffered a fracture. Call 999 and ask for an ambulance.

2. Get the casualty in a resting position in which the heart is able to work most effectively. To do this, help him to lie down. Support him in a reclining position by placing a blanket or jacket behind him. Resumme him and advise him to keep still. Loosen clothing around his neck, chest and waist. and ask for an ambulance.

3. Call 999 and ask for an ambulance immediately. Do not

attempt to induce vomiting. If his lips are showing signs of burning, cool them by giving him water or milk to sip slowly. Place him in the recovery position even if he is not unconscious the may vomit). Watch his breathing, and it it stone, begin resuscitation. stops, begin resuscitation mediately. Send with him in the ambulance samples of any vomit and the bottle of disinfectant he

4. Place your hand under slowly running cold water for at least ten minutes -- longer if pain persists. Gently remove any rings, watch or bracelet before swelling begins. Put your hand and wrist in a clean plastic bag or dress the area with clean, preferably sterile, non-fluffy material. Seek medical aid at a casualty department or local GP

member of family to dial 999 and ask for an ambulance. Break the current by switching off the cur-

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rent at the mains or meter if it can be quickly reached; if not, remove the trimmer plug from the electric socket or wrench the cable free. If you cannot do this stand on a wooden implement to push her hand free of the trimmer. Do not touch her or use anything metallic or damp until her hand is free of the trimmer. She may be un-conscious or suffering from breathing difficulties, shock or burns and should be treated for these in that order of priority. Ensure that an ambulance has

6. Do not remove the fork it is plugging the wound. Treat for moonsciousness, breathing diffi-culties, bleeding and shock. Call 999 and ask for an ambulance.

 This information was supplied by St John Ambulance. These are priority actions. Fuller informa-tion on first ald procedures can be or the Red Cross. These situation require a good first aid kit and, in the case of resuscitation, proper first aid training. St John Am-

#### Pets off the hook

DOUBTS have been expressed on the importance of toxocariasis in dogs (a parasite spread by puppies which can damage the retina of children) as a frequent cause of blindness in children. In fact the numbers involved seem to be reassuringly low and public parks much more wholesome than is supposed. Now there are protests that

the campaign for the universal screening of pregnant women for toxoplasmosis is unnecessarily alarmist to the patient and unfair to their cats. Toxoplasmosis is a different parasitical disease which in the adult causes only a transitory glandular fever-type condition but if caught by a pregnant woman can damage the un-born child. It is caught through contamination of food, or food handlers' hands, by cat's faeces or by eating undercooked meat infested by the parasite.

A campaign by the Toxoplasmosis Trust is not only criticised by cat lovers but also by such uncommitted organisations as Community Hy-giene Concern, an independent organisation interested in protecting the community from public health problems. Joanna Ibarra, a spokeswoman, said that although toxoplasmosis was a danger in pregnancy it was a comparatively small one and that the screening proposed would give rise to too many false positives and would therefore

be inaccurate. Careful scientific survey by the British Paediatric Surveillance Unit has concluded that there were only 20 cases of



congenitally acquired toxoplasmosis, in which the unborn baby was damaged, in a year in Britain and that previous estimates had overrated the danger by quoting a non-

proven figure of 140. Since the campaign for screening has started, several pregnant women have telephoned Ms Ibarra's organisation merely because they have seen a cat in their garden. It seems that in some sophisticated suburbs cats are now as feared by pregnant women as society feared lepers in medieval times.

This is a largely unnecessary fear in Ms Ibarra's opinion since the principal danger stems from eating under-

cooked meat, often mutton. No screening campaign can replace the need to wash hands, as well as vegetables and fruit, and to ban pets from

#### No shock of hair?

IN A recent Desert Island Discs broadcast the swimmer Duncan Goodhew attributed his total loss of hair, alopecia totalis, to the shock induced by falling out of a tree in early

Many experts think that alopecia totalis may be one of the auto-immune diseases in which case stress could well play a part in its aetiology and it is possible that Mr Goodhew's explanation is correct. The medical magazine Update reports that a trial is under way to assess the affect of cyclosporin A, an immunosuppressant drug, on the

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whether totalis in which the hair on the head, body and face including the eyelashes is lost, or areata in which there are unsightly bald patches on the scalp, hair growth recurs within a year. However Mr Goodhew was young at the time and the onset of the baldness was sudden, two features which suggest a poor prognosis and it is noteworthy that Mr Goodhew's hair has never regrown. Patients with alopecia are also less likely to do well if they suffer from asthma, hay fever or eczema or if their nails have also been affected and have become brittle, coarsened and

Existing treatment for alopecia totalis or areata is disappointing. Even in those cases where there has been improvement it is hard to be certain whether it is due to the natural resolution of the disease or rather to a doctor's

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## Rocket for a rainforest?

eep in the jungles of equatorial South Amer-ica the final touches are being applied to one of Europe's largest civil engineering schemes, a project which, in terms of scale and labour, has rivalled the Channel tunnel.

The four-year-old, FFr5 billion (£520 million) scheme - a vast launchpad buried in the tropical forests of French Guiana - will be used to fire a new generation of mainly French-built rockets which will be able to hurl seven tons of satellite into space and, if funding is forthcoming, Europe's astronauts. At its peak the pad's construction

employed nearly 2.000 workers. mainly foreign, to excavate and clear some 21 sq km of rainforest. Many of the workers have been shipped in from poorer parts of southern

French Guiana may be thousands of miles from Paris, but it still has the status of a department of France with most of its inhabitants being able to enjoy a lifestyle rivailing that to be found among the gilded denizens

of the Coie d'Azur. In the late 1980s the country is said to have led France in the consumption of champagne. Shiny Renaults swish up and down Guiana's coastal roads, and almost everybody has a colour television. It all makes the Guianese, one space offical said. rather unwilling man-

ual labourers. Last week the round of cocktail parties, pool-side canapes and fourcourse meals which is a regular feature of the country's life was in full swing as the launch pads at welcomed its regular stream of engineers, representaA huge space and hydro-electric project in French Guiana is

worrying environmentalists, Nick Nuttall reports

tives of the media, bureaucrats and aerospace executives to yet another

Ariane launch. This time the payload consisted of a Eutelsat craft and an Indian satellite. All went well on the night and, as the celebrations continued well into the morning officials of the European and French space agencies talked with thinly veiled pride about the new launchpad and Ariane 5, the new launch vehicle scheduled to fly in 1995. "They will prove to America that we have technology equal

to theirs," one official said. The dam Yet behind the project smiles concerns are growing back in France that the new is much pad marks a growing environmental bigger environmental pres-sure on some of the than the world's most unspoilt rainforest, home to rare and endangered country plants and animals. really needs'

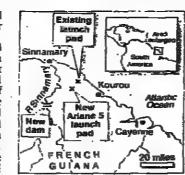
Leading this con-cern is the Paris branch of the World Wildlife Fund. The group claims that the vast Petit Saut hydroelectric dam being built across the Sinnamary river, 80 km north-west of Cayenne, the capital, will be a major cause of pollution. The dam, which is being built to support the launch pad's operations, will lead to the flooding of 310 sq km of forest by 1994, and the noxious gases produced by rotting vegetation could, it is feared, cause considerable damage to the environment. "Apparently it is not economic to cut the trees down

because it would cost more than

they would earn from the timber."

said Christine Sourd, a spokes-

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woman for the WWF. "This construction has been made without a proper environmental study being undertaken. The project is also much bigger than the country

really needs." The WWF also claims that several other hydroelectric projects are in the pipeline and road schemes are being proposed in the north and south of the country.

he group claims that this will encourage more settling by illegal immi-grants spilling over the border from Brazil to the south and Surinam to the west, to escape poverty and, in the case of Surinam, a civil war which has raged almost without a halt since the country became independent from the Netherlands in 1975.

Veronique Suso, a spokeswoman for Electricité de France, the dam's operators, accepts that the scheme will have some effect on the river quality. However, she rejects the claims that the dam is unnecessary. Since 1977 French Guiana's population has nearly trebled, from

14,420 to 114,600 in 1990. Much

of this growth has been a result of

schemes have been planned for French Guiana over the centuries with very few ever seeing the light of day.

A similarly relaxed view is taken by Alexander Miles, n American who has

> na for eight years and who is author of Devil's Island, a book on the country's celebratformer penal Mr Miles also noted that the population

lived in French Guia-

illegal immigration. Consequently, "There has been a 13 per cent rise in energy consumption. Without

Petit Saut, the country would run

out of power in the year 2005," she

As for other projects they remain

no more than proposals, she said, adding wryly that many economic

pressures have recenteased, following the ssation of hostilities in Surinam and a policy by the French government to pay refugees \$700 each to return home.

Certainly few, if any, Guianese appear concerned about either threats to the environment or their almost unique position of remaining a European colony in a postcolonial world. In the most recent French elections, in which the people of French Guiana are permitted to vote, independence parties secured only 3.2 per cent of the ballots cast.

The general view among local Guianese, a mixture of former convicts, black negro slaves and other groups such as the Chinese, is that independence could trigger the economic and political decline

which has been the result of independence for other former colonies in the region.

Mario de Leoine, a native Guianese and official in the space programme, said: "Independence is in the mind of everybody, but who wants to lose their BMW? Maybe it will happen one day, but not today."

Whether independence would ever be foisted upon the Guianese by France may depend less on the nationalist movement and more on space activities in other parts of the developing world and Japan.

The French government spends an estimated FFr2 billion a year on the country, and on maintaining its space centre, which is

geared around the commercially profit-Without the able Ariane. dam the Until now the main rival to these rockets has been American, country but this is about to would run

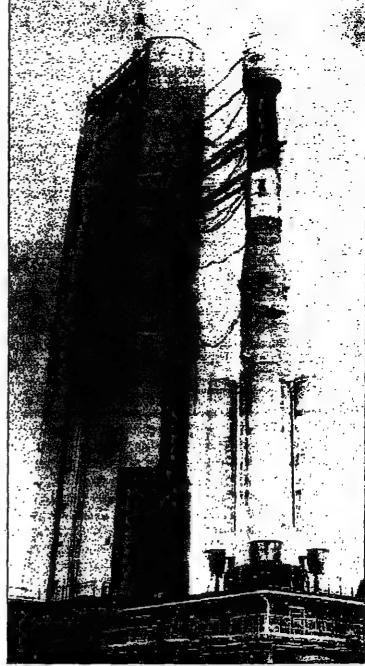
Among the smiling dignitaries at the last out of power launch was one man in the whose vision, along with similar ones in China, could spell the decline of Kourou year 2005' and France's enthusi-

> can outpost. Professor Udipi Rao, secretary at India's department of space, indicated that trips by his team to French Guiana were likely to become less frequent as Indian rocket technology was now so advanced that the country would be almost self-sufficient by 1996.

asm for its expensive South Ameri-

He said the country would also he able to offer western companies a launch at a fraction of Ariane's

As one Italian visitor put it "In ten years we are just as likely to be standing on the Ganges or the



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International Trading's battered car. Sadly, some of Del Boy's luck in business seemed to have rubbed off on Reliant: the company went into receivership last year. But Reliant found a rescuer: Beans Engineering. little known among today's motorists, but a company with a long tradition of car-making. A. Harper Sons & Bean was started in the Black Country in 1826 to make fire grates and iron shot. By the turn of the century, it had started manufacturing the new-fangled horseless carriage.

In 1919, the company took over production of the American Perry car, renamed the business after Jack Bean, a director, and became the first car maker in Britain with a moving

By 1931, however, Beans had been squeezed out by Austin, Morris and Wolseley's sharp-priced competition. Two years later, Beans came back, but as a component maker of gearboxes and crankcases, before specialising in remanufacturing engines.

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three-wheelers. Reliant made the SS1, a sports car that, with its curious looks, failed to set the world alight. But Beans believes there is still a place for a small but affordable twoseater to compete with models from Japan. The result is the Scimitar Sabre, a reshaped derivative of the SS1, aimed at the Mazda MX-5, the car unashamedly styled on the old

Lotus Elan and one that has impressed enthusiasts. . Can Reliant match the MX-5 pound for pound in a battle of the

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open-topped motoring feather-weights? For performance, it certainly can. Reliant uses the 1.8-litre, turbo-charged engine provided by Nissan and formerly found in the Japanese maker's Sylvia. Road-hold-ing. with the Sabre's 15in alloy wheels hugging the tarmac, is near-faultless. I suspect, however, that buyers of the Sabre will worry little about performance. After all, the MX-5 is a relatively pedestrian car and has sold in its thousands on looks and style. And that is where Reliant may struggle. The original SS1 shape given the thumbs down at launch in 1984 still shows through even after restyling.

There is also a question mark about reliability and quality of finish. The interior looks tacky, particularly com-pared with the MX-5, and in the model I tested there were areas of panel and dashboard that clearly did not fit. I even closed the passenger door three times, thinking it was open, only to discover that it did not fit flush to the body. To cap it all, my test Sabre broke

down with an electrical fault. A disappointing end to a test. Much as I would love to give the Sabre full marks as a battling

newcomer, I have doubts. If Reliant can overcome the problems, it it may have a winner. But the Japanese will take some beating.



Aimed at Mazda's MX-5 sports car: the Reliant Scimitar Sabre

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☐ It must have been a dog's life for our canine chums in the early days of our canine chums in the early days of motoring when the passenger cabin was open to the elements. With the elegance of the Edwardian age, dogs also got their own goggles, such as these being modelled by Megan, a bull terrier. The goggles will be offered at a Brooks auction at Lord's winds terrier and a Wednesday. cricket ground on Wednesday.

☐ Classic car enthusiasts are being sought to help the twinning of Brooklands Museum and the new

Musée de l'Automobile at Le Mans. Both tracks have a long and glamorous history but drivers are needed to make a run from Brooklands, near Weybridge, Surrey, to Le Mans for the ceremony. The cost is likely to be £350 a car. Further information: 0932-857381.

□ Apologies to all baffled by last week's warning not to put unleaded fuel in cars with catalytic converters. As you all knew, that should have said that leaded four-star will dam-

age "cats" and unleaded only is the rule in catalyst-equipped cars. Dunce's cap for the motoring correspondent

☐ Sales of diesel cars jumped by 61 per cent in June, underlining the trend towards the more economical and possibly more environmentally friendly fuel. Diesels are up by 32.5 per cent to \$7.276 so far this year and now account for 12 in every 100 models that leave Britain's

#### **Jaguar claws** its way back

Once known for anything but reliability, one of Britain's great makes has won a high US rating

WHEN you are struggling to is virtually a recommendation get off the bottom, the good news is worth savouring. Jaguar has climbed into the top ten of the league table of the world's most reliable cars the most convincing evidence that the company is shrugging

off two years of recession. The league table of customer satisfaction drawn up annu- improvement at Jaguar. The ally by J.D. Power and Assoc- survey illustrates the quality iates is the sur-

vey most eagerly awaited by Sales are up by motor manufacturers, who 12.5 per cent know it can for the first make or break their American five months sales. The survey of 36 differof the year ent makes has in the past been

a graveyard for the ambitions of European and American manufacturers whose products have often trailed those from Japan. Last year, Jaguar scraped to

25th place in the US survey after the Power investigators studied cars built in 1990 while Jaguar executives were battling with their worst problems of low productivity, dubi-ous quality and rapidly worsening financial losses.

However, the new survey of 200 cars that have just completed a year in service in the US underlines the rapid progress being made at Jaguar's main Brown's Lane factory in

Jaguar's climb to tenth place

to customers in the US, the company's most important

marketplace, accounting for 40 per cent of all sales. Nick Scheele, Jaguar's chairman, says: "This report is the first major independent study that has confirmed our internal measures of quality

> improvements of Jaguars sold over 12 months ago and we know today's Jaguars are even better."

Sales, which had at one point halved. have been reviving steadily this year as con-

fidence returns to the US and to the Jaguar product. They are up by 12.5 per cent in the first five months and Mr Scheele adds that the Power survey should provide a further boost because of its fierce independence.

Lexus, the luxury car manufactured by Toyota, continued to lead the field, followed by the Infiniti, a Japanese car supplied to the American market Mercedes-Benz fell two places to fifth, while Audi was

There was no place in the top ten, however, for either BMW or Porsche.

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#### **Underwriter's right of recoupment**

Napier and Ettrick (Lord) and Another v R. F. Kershaw Ltd and Others Before Lord Justice Dillon, Lord

Justice Staughton and Lord Justice

(Judgment July 9) Where moneys were recovered by an assured in circumstances which recoupment, the moneys were not necessarily held by the assured on constructive trust for the underwriter.

Where it was agreed that, subject to an excess to be borne by the assured, the underwriter would indemnify the assured in respect of his losses up to a specified limit. and moneys were recovered by the underwriter was entitled to recoupment from the recoveries before the assured became entitled to recoupment of the amount of the

The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments when allowing in part an appeal by R. F. Kershaw Ltd and nine other representatives of Lloyd's syndicates, stop loss insurers, from an order by Mr Justice Saville made on June 12 in proceedings brought by the plaintills. Baron Napier and Ettrick and Richards Butler, solicitors.

Mr David Donaldson, QC and stop loss insurers: Mr Anthony Boswood, QC and Mr Brian

LORD JUSTICE DILLON said that 987 names at Lloyd's who belonged to the Outhwaite syndicate had formed an associa to pursue a claim against R. H. M. Outhwaite Underwriting Agencies Ltd and members agents to re-cover losses attributable to alleg-edly negligent underwriting by the which had been brought in connection with that claim were estiled on terms that a total of Ellom was paid to Richards Butler, the solicitors for the plain-tiffs in the actions, on behalf of those plaintiffs, subject to the rules

Of that total, £80m was attributable to past paid and notified cash calls in respect of losses of the Outhwaite syndicate, particularly for the year 1982.

The plaintiffs in the present proceedings were Lord Napier and by Mr Justice Saville to represent the members of the association, and Richards Butler as the holder

The stop loss insurers had been joined as defendants as representatives of certain Lloyd's syninsurance policies for the trading year 1982 for certain of the plaintiffs in the Outhwaite actions ndividually. Each stop loss in surance was written for an individ-It was common ground that the stop loss insurers duly paid the amounts due from them under the

ndividual names for the year The due part of each such name's share of the £80 million under the settlement represented a the loss insured by his or her stop loss policy, and accordingly it was common ground that the stop loss

stop loss policies effected by the

insurers were entitled to recoup an appropriate sum from each name. The first question was whether, as the stop loss insurers contended they were entitled to recoup directly from the moneys in the hands

were constructive trustees of the recovery moneys and that the amounts due to the stop loss insurers were traceable in equity in the moneys held by Richards Butler as agents for the names.

After considering certain authorities, his Lordship said that he did not doubt that in an appropriate case, even in an insurance context, recoveries which an insurer was entitled to claim by way of subrogation could be said to have been held on a constructive trust for the insurer.

However, to say that in every case where the assured recovered moneys in circumstances which gave underwriters a right to recoupment, the recoveries were automatically held by the assured on constructive trust for the underwriters in so far as they were traceable in equity among the assets of the assured, would be inconsistent with, inter alia, Lister & Co v Stubbs ((1890) 45 Ch D 1) and with the essentially common law origins of the doctrine of subrogation in insurance law.

There was nothing in the circumstances to turn the stop loss insurers' claim by way of subroga-tion against the names who effected the stop loss policies from a common law claim in debt or for money had and received into a claim under a trust. His Lordship therefore agreed

trust was not made out. The second question concerned the amount of recoupment to which the stop loss insurers were

A typical sample of the relevant clause in the stop loss insurances was: "In consideration of the

specified in the schedule the underfor the amount by which the ansureus overall ascenarios nel underwriting loss ... exceeds the amount stated as 'excess' in the schedule." It was then provided that the underwriters' liability should not exceed the amount stated as "limit" in the schedule.

The question was whether, as the names contended and the judge held, the names were entitled to the amount of the excess from the recovery moneys before anything fell to be paid to the stop loss insurers by way of subroga-tion, or whether the stop loss insurers fell to be recouped before The names' contentions were

tent with the agreement in

the policies that there was to be an excess to be borne by the names. Moreover, statements such as that of Lord Justice Brett in Castellain v Preston ((1883) 11 QBD 380, 386) that it was a fundamental principle of in-surance that the assured, in case of a loss against which the policy had been made should be fully indemnified, were not made in contexts where there had been agreement in the policy that there should be an excess to be borne by the assured before the insurer came

under any liability. His Lordship therefore preferred the stop loss insurers' argument that the recovery should be applied from the top down, leaving the excess the last to be recouped, and, accordingly, would allow the ap-peal on the excess question.

Lord Justice Staughton and Lord Justice Nolan delivered concurring judgments.

Solicitors: Clyde & Co and

#### No duty to alert Lloyd's names

Ashmore and Others v Corporation of Lloyd's (No 2) Before Mr Justice Gatehouse (Judement July 2)

The Corporation of Lloyd's was under no duty either to take steps to alert their so-called names about matters of which Lloyd's became aware which might seriously affect their interests or to impose a premium income monitoring sy-tem. Additionally, Lloyd's had immunity from suit under section 14 of the Lloyd's Act 1982 from July 23, 1982 when it came into

Mr Justice Gatehouse so held in a reserved judgment in the Commercial Court of the Queen's Bench Division in dismissing a claim for breach of contract and/or breach of statutory duty brought by Patricia Ashmore and 32 other Lloyd's names who had lost more than £5 million.

Mr Michael Lyndon-Stanford. Mr Michael Lyndor-Stanford, QC and Mr Paul Griffin for the plaintiffs; Mr Peregrine Simon, QC, Mr Paul Walker and Mr Manhew Reeve for Lloyd's.

MR JUSTICE GATEHOUSE said that the relationship between the parties and the nature of the plaintiffs claim against Lloyd's were summarised in the speech of Lord Templeman when the case was before the House of Lords on an interlocutory appeal (The Times April 3: [1992] i WLR 446, 449B-E, 450F-451B).

The preliminary questions of law to be determined were: (a) duty of care; whether, on the basis of the primary facts alleged the defendant owed to the plaintiffs any, and if so which duties; (b) immunity; if Lloyd's did owe a duty of care then was it immune from sur in respect thereof by virtue of section 14 of the Lloyd's Act 1982

and, if so, from what date? The plaintiffs based their claim on an implied contractual duty of care and a statutory duty arising out of section 10 of Lloyd's Act Lloyd's Act 1911.

There were three bases on which a term could be implied into a contract

The first two, "implications in fact" depended on the presumed joint intention of the parties and arose either under (i) the doctrin of The Moorcock ((1889) 14 PD 64), the business efficacy test, or (ii) the officious bystander test based on Shirlaw v Southern Foundries [1939] 2 KB 206, 227). The third basis on which a term

could be implied was an "implication in law" and did not depend on parties but on a principle derived, as the plaintiffs said, from Liverpool City Council v Irwin (1977 AC 239).

specific duties: (i) to take reason-

able steps to alert the names about matters of which Lloyd's became aware which might seriously affect their interests and (ii) to impose a premium income monitoring sys-"Oh, of course, that is some tem even if it was only an ad hoc

in his Lordship's judgment, neither of the terms contended for by the plaintiffs came within reasonable distance of passing The Moorcock test.

Many thousands of people over the years had been or were now names at Lloyd's under the same contractual arrangements and it was impossible to say that without those implied terms the contract would not work. So far as the officious bystander

test was concerned, the question posed by the plaintiffs was: "If at the rota meeting to admit a new member, an officious bystander had interrupted the proceedings and said You, Lloyd's, are asking this applicant underwriting mem-ber to engage in a high risk business and, in effect, entrust his entire personal fortune to an underwriting agent approved by you with whom he is not to interfere, and whom you know he relies upon and is by the sys you impose forced to rely on, would you. Lloyd's, be obliged to take reasonable steps to alert the ap-

be "Of course In his Lordship's judgment the question posed was complex. The plain fact was that the more the laintiffs' advisers strove to bring the implied term within the bounds of reasonableness and necessity, the more divorced from reality the question became. His Lordship found it impos-

plicant? Surely the answer would

sible to contemplate an officious being capable of thinking up so complex a question, one which had taken a team of skilled lawyers so mulate the question, the answer of both parties would certainly not be that is so obvious that it goes

If Lloyd's had not dismissed the suggestion out of hand, the rota committee would at least have down for detailed consideration, no doubt with lawyer's advice.

The eventual answer, his Lord-ship believed, would have been an uncompromising "No". At least his Lordship was unpersuaded that it would have been "Yes, of course" and certainly such accep-tance would not have been given unhesizatingly at the time the question was asked.

Although the alleged premium income term had not suffered the various refinements and qualifications of the duty to alert them it too failed both The Moorcock and

officious bystander tests.

The third basis, implication in law, arose where the court was prepared to lay down a general rule of law that in contracts of a certain type, certain terms would be implied unless the implication of such a term would be contrary to the express words of

However, in his Lordship's judgment, the plaintiffs ran into in-superable difficulties since the principle applied to certain broad categories or types of relationship where the individual contracts within the category varied in their

The contract between Lloyd's and each name was unique in the sense that there was no "category". Mr Lyndon-Stanford argued that there were so many of those contracts that that ipso facto created the category to which the principle would apply. His Lordship did not accept that.

contracting party's name and in-dividual premium limit. It was not part of a genus, it was sui generis.

There was no authority which suggested that the principle had any application in such a case. On the contrary, it was implicit in all the relevant authorities that there had first to be established a genus, however various the in-dividual contracts within it might be, before the principle could be

ounded upon. So far as any statutory duty was concerned, the first difficulty the plaintiffs had was that the Lloyd's Act 1871, as amended, did not impose any express duty on Lloyd's it spoke only of "objects". If what was referred to as the principal object of Lloyd's imposed an implied duty to protect the interests of members, there equally had to be an implied duty to advance those interests. That could not be right.

Lloyd's was authorised by its tion to exercise supervisory, regulatory and disciplinary powers over its members. There was a broad consideration which militated against the imposition of any statutory duty upon Lloyd's in favour of the plaintiffs.

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It was a most important function of the corporation to regulate the Lloyd's insurance market, primarily for the protection of the policy

It seemed to his Lordship that it would greatly inhibit the proper discharge of those powers if those who exercised them had constantly to be looking over their shoulders because of a supposed duty to safeguard the interests of one section of the market.

Additionally, Lloyd's had immunity from suit under section 14 of the Lloyd's Art 1982 from July 23,

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#### Diagnosis and therapy the same in law

in re H (Mental Patient

Before Mr Nicholas Wilson, OC Hudgment July 1]

No distinction was to be made between diagnostic and therapeutic procedures when considering whether to grant a declaration that medical procedures proposed for an adult mental patient were lawful, nowithstanding the patient's in-

Mr Nicholas Wilson, QC, sitting as a deputy judge in the Family Division, so held in a reserved judgment delivered in open court after a hearing in chambers in refusing to grant the applicant medical procedures it proposed for

an adult mental patient were lawful.

Mr Simeon Maskrey for the health authority: Mr John Reddish for the guardian ad litem.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the Official Solicitor had agreed that the proposed procedures were in they were therefore lawful.

Mr Maskrey argued that it was one of those special cases where, pursuant to the analysis in In re F ([1990] 2 AC 1), it was desirable to grant a declaration that what the

He argued that the procedures

proposed were for the purposes of diagnosis, which he distinguished from treatment. In all the reported cases to which his Lordship had been referred the doctors had proposed a course of action designed to address a known prob-

ing invasive procedures which His opposition was on the carried their own risks in circumsimple basis that it was inappropriate for the court to make a countervailing benefits.

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so. But in his Lordship's view it would be quite wrong to decide the case by reference to whether it fined within the straitjacket of that single word.

o distinguish between proposed diagnostic procedures and proposed therapeutic procedure. The same criterion governed their lawfulness and, as to whether

procedure was in the best

The plaintiffs' contended for two

#### No power to backdate order

Court, Ex parte Patchett Before Mr Justice Potts Judgment June 131

A county court when dealing with an application for an interim rent in a business tenancy was not empowered to backdate the order. Mr Justice Potts so held in the Queen's Bench Division when granting judicial review to the applicant, Mr David Patchett, and ashing an order of Gravesend

County Court issuing an interim rent which was backdated. Mr Geoffrey Ames for Mr Patchett; the respondent did not appear and was not represented.

MR JUSTICE POTTS said that on June 1, 1989 the applicant's

landlord had issued a notice determining his business tenancy. The tenant had issued an originaling application for a new lease and ations concerning it had

In February 1990, in the course of those negotiations and unknown to the tenant, the landford applied for the issuing of an interim rent, the bottom line of the form for which referred to the courts section of the form to be completed on a date to be

The application was not how-ever dealt with by the court. A new tenancy was agreed but shortly that he needed to terminate the lease and on doing so received a Gravesend.

demand for the interim rent which had been issued by the clerk on August 18 purporting to be back-dated to February 6, when the landlords had originally sent the

The crucial point was the date at which the proceedings were com-menced and that was "when the

His Lordship accepted the ap plicant's submission that any in-tesim rent order had to be associated with some positive act of divinistration and there had been no such act until August and it could only take effect when the court took the necessary steps to issue 2.

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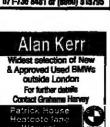
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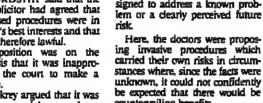












stances where, since the facts were unknown, it could not confidently be expected that there would be His Lordship had to say that that argument made no appeal to him. If it were necessary for his Lordship to hold that treatment in-

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interests of the patient, there was surely always a balance to be struck, in relation to treatment just as much as to diagnosis, between possible risks and possible benefits. Solicitors: Penningtons for Dennis Faulkner & Alsop, Northampton: Official Solicitor.



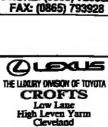






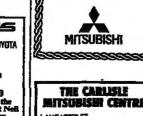


















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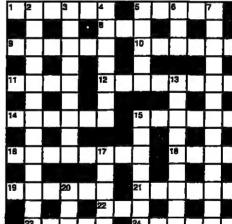
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9.05 Bravestarr Animated adventures of the bravest marshal in the galaxy (r) (74248331) 9.25 Now Them. The time travelling children sample village life in Saxon England (r) (8126340)
10.00 News, regional news and weather (4146765) 10.05 Playdays (r) (8840982) 10.25 Double Dare. Messy game show (r) (7702938) 10.45 The O-Zone. Pop music magazine (s) (7953017)
11.00 News, regional news and weather (8829833) 11.05 The Flying Doctors (r) (Ceefax) (s) (7190901) 11.50 Cartoon (4049001)
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12.00 News, regional news and weather (5156630) 12.05 Summer Scene. Entertainment makes presented by Caron Keating and Linda Mitchell from the National Garden Festival in Ebbw Vale (8918746) 12.55 Regional News and weather (70918659) 1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) Weather (13185)

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (ceefax) (1.50 Eldorado. A repeat of Wednesday's episode. (Ceefax) (s) (99654949)

2.20 Film: The Picture of Dorian Gray (1945, bAw, some colour).

© CHOICE: It used to be said of Albert Lewin's film of Oscar Wilde's long short story that the worst thing about it was Hurd Hatfield's Dorian Gray who remains monocromatically wax-complexioned and virtuous in public while his hidden portrait becomes a Technicolored monstrosity. The best thing in it was said to be George Sanders's Lord Henry Wotton, cynical scatterer of epigrams. Hatfield's was a new face on the screen in 1945, and nobody quite knew what to make of an actor who looked so ethereal. If only they had read Wilde's story, they'd have known how right for the role he was. As for Sanders's Lord Henry, first impressions still hold good 47 years later. That goes for Harry Stradling's camerawork, too. It deserved, and won, an Oscal

4.10 The All New Popeye Show (r) (2632949) 4.35 The True Story Of Spit Macphee Episode five of the eight-part children's drama serial set in Australia Ir). (Ceefaxt (5785833) 5.00 Newsround (2583017) 5.05 Byker Grove. Children's drama series set in and around a north-east youth centre (r). (Ceefax)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (705814). Northern Ireland: Inside

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Morra Stuart. (Oracle) 6.30 Regional News Magazines (727). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (s) (4123)

7.30 Bread. Another episode from the lives of the Boswells, the workshy Liverpudian family created by Carla Lane (r). (Ceefax) (s) (611) 8.00 Birds of a Feather. Dorien persuades Sharon and Tracey to go to a car boot sale, much to Tracey's regret when she finds an old photograph of her husband in a compromising position with an unknown woman at a friend's 21st birthday party (r). (Ceefax) (s)

8.30 Joker in the Pack. Marti Caine introduces another collection of amateur cornedians eager to inflict their favourite funny story on an eager audience. (Ceefax) (s) (9678)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (8291)



Tax evader: Suzanne Pleshette as Leona Helmsley (9.30pm)

9.30 Film: The Queen of Mean (1990) starring Suzanne Pleshette and Lloyd Bridges. A made-for-television biopic of Leona Helmsley, the disgraced real estate queen who proclaimed that "only little people pay taxes" and is learning to regret the statement during a lengthy stay behind bars as a guest of the United States governm Directed by Richard Michaels. (Ceefax) (s) (80758)

Golf Highlights of the second round of the British Open from Muirfield, introduced by Steve Rider (942123)

11.40 Film: The Changeling (1979) starring George C. Scott, Trish Van Devere and Melvyn Douglas. Well above average chiller about a recently widowed musician who moves into a house occupied by the ghost of a murdered child who lived there 70 years before. Directed by Peter Medak. (Ceefax) (878185) 1.25am Weather

BBC2

6.45 Open University. Art - the Leathart Collection 7.10 Education: Stowe and Stantonbury (9923901), Ends at 7.35 8.00 Breakfast News (9152098)

8.15 Westminster. A round up of yesterday's last day of business before the summer recess (9175949)
8.30 Sounds Like Strad. A documentary profile of west country stringed instrument makers (r) (49388) 9.00 Favourite Things. Lady Antonia Fraser talks to Roy Flomley about

the things that give her most pleasure (r) (23340)

Film: Tarzan's Revenge (1938, b/w) starring Glenn Morris and Eleanor Holm. The jungle hero leaps to the rescue of a woman explorer when an Oxford-educated African prince takes an over-romantic interest in her. Directed by D. Ross Lederman (2871017)

10.35 Made by Man The skills of the organ maker (r) (7070185)
10.55 Golf. Steve Rider introduces live coverage of the second round of the British Open from Muirfield (s) (78845833) stman Pat (r) (23196659) 1.35 Weekend Outlook. A preview



Conducting Verdi's Requiem: Andrew Davis (7.30pm)

7.30 First Night of the Proms.

 CHOICE: One thing you must admit about Verdi's Requient being chosen to lick off the new season at the Albert Hall; it is flying in the face of convention. Spiritually of course, it should have rounded off the Proms. But at what point could the Last Night Promenaders have waved their Union Jacks and popped their balloons? So, it's to be the Requiem tonight. It can't fail to score a treble top because this mighty liturgical work is also a third opera and a third theatre. However, for staid Victorians who watched Verdi himself conducting the Requiem's British premiere in the Albert Half in 1875, the three parts did not add up to a commercially acceptable whole. Tonight, Andrew Davis conducts the BBC SO and Chorus, the London Symphony Chorus, and the BBC Singers. The soldists are Susan Dunn, Marjana Upovsek, Vinson Cole and Paul Plishka (s) (simultaneous broadcast with Radio 3) (46535185)

NB: programme times after the prom are approximate 9.10 A Question of Attribution. An award-winning contribution to the Alan Bennett season. James Fox and Prunella Scales (as the Queen) star in this drama about the double life of Sir Anthony Blunt, the Russian agent and Surveyor of the Queen's Pictures

who, under interrogation in 1964 confessed to being a double agent. Directed by John Schlesinger (r). (Ceefax) (9186814) 10.30 Newsnight with Sue Cameron (242475) 11.15 What the Papers Say presented by Christopher Sylvester of Private Eye (429272), Wales: Wales in Westminster 11.45 What the

11.30 Scrutiny. Iain MacWhirter reviews the week's business in the House of Commons (88901) 12.00 Weather (3192050):

12.05am Film: Sur (1987). The Discovering Latin America season concludes with this award-winning drama about a man's homecoming after serving five years in an Argentine prison on subversion charges. Broken by his lost years and his wife's infidelity he goes in search of old friends and treasured memories. Starring Miguel Angel Sola and directed by Fernando Solanas who won the 1988 best director award at Cannes for the work, and was later shot and wounded after a disagreement with Argentina's Presiden Menem In Spanish with English subtitles (559925) Ends at 2.05

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6.00 TV-am (3598475) 9.25 Your Number Please. Phone-in game show with cash prizes, hosted by Neil Buchanan (s) (1217123) 9.55 Thames News

(6343456) 10.00 Out of this World. American comedy series about a teenaged girl who inherits her alien father's extra-terrestrial powers (r) (s) (6353833) 10.25 Wowser. Animation (6356920) 10.55 ITN News adlines (2704524)

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11.00 Ox Tales. Two animated adventures for Ollie the Ox (2714901)

11.25 Just for the Record. Feats of endurance from around the world (r) (9933543) 11.50 Thames News (5458746) 11.55 Cartoon Time (3414140) 12.10 Rainbow. Learning series for pre-school children (r) (3531814)

12.30 Lunchtime News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler. (Oracle)

Weather (3724920) 1.05 Thames News (23171340)

1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (717727) 1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama set in a small Australian outback town (716098)

2.15 Highway to Heaven. In the first of a two-part story Jonathan, the

apprentice angel on Earth to earn his wings and harp, helps a terminally ill boy raise funds for an operation. Starring Michael Landon (5708949)

3.10 ITN News headlines (4947307) 3.15 Thames News headlines

(4946678) 3.20 The Young Doctors, Drama series set in a large Australian city hospital (7323814) Australian city hospital (7323814)
3.50 Cartoon Time (6095765) 3.55 The Gingerbread Man.
Animation series based on David Wood's musical play. (Ceefax) (s)
(1073727) 4.05 The Adventures of Teddy Ruopin (6070456)
4.30 Wooff Adventures of a boy who changes into a dog at
unexpected times (r) (678) 5.00 Cartoon Time (9547678)
5.10 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (7164974)

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5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather

5.55 Crime Monthly Preview presented by Paul Ross (291562) 6.00 Six O'Clock Live introduced by Frank Bough, Joanna Sheldon and Jeni Barnett. A look forward to the weekend's Telethon with guests Status Quo, Hale and Pace, Chris Tarrant and Brian Conley (62727)



Monetary gain show: hosted by Les Dennis (7.00pm)

7.00 Family Fortunes. Game show for families, hosted by Les Dennis

7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (307)

8.00 Athletics. Live coverage of the Vauxhall Invitation, the last big event before the Olympics, presented by Jim Rosenthal from Gateshead International Stadium. Continues on Channel 4 (9036) 9.00 Crime Monthly. Paul Ross with details of unsolved crime in the LWT area and a look back at a murder case in which the victim's

body was found five years after her death (9272) 10.00 News at Ten with Julia Somerville and Carol Barnes. (Oracle) Weather 10.35 LWT News (197036)

10.40 Film: Lassiter (1983) starring Tom Selleck, Jane Seymour, Lauren Hutton and Bob Hoskins. An eve of second world war thriller about a jewel thief who is forced to work for both Scotland Yard and the FBI in their efforts to intercept a cache of diamonds on its way from the German embassy in London to Nazi sympathisers in the United States and South America. Directed by Roger Young (86024276) 12.30am Comedy Night Out. LWT's comic curtain-raiser for the weekend's Telethon (56692)

1.00 Rescue 911. More real life dramas from the files of the American emergency services (7586447)

2.00 American Gladiators. Tests of strength and ingenuity (5173760)3.00 CinemAttractions. The latest movie news from the United States

3.30 Raw Power Rock videos (s) (81383) 4.30 Burke's Law (b/w). Gene Barry stars as the well-heeled Beverly Hills cop, in this episode from the popular .1960s drama series,

investigating the death of a business tycoon. Among those making guests appearances are old-timers June Allyson, Yvonne de Carlo and Jack Haley (8484789)

5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Neilson (86321). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

9.25 Little Rosey. Two animated stories (r) (s) (1291185)
9.26 Little Rosey. Two animated stories (r) (s) (1291185)
9.50 The Henderson Kids. Australian family drama senal (r) (2481017)
10.15 Gustav the Gardener. Animation from Hungary (4118982)
10.25 Film: The Last Page (1952, biv) starring George Brent and Diana Dors. Modestly budgeted thriller about a London bookseller who becomes the prime suspect when his invalid wife dies after receiving an anonymous letter from blackmailers. Directed by Terence Fisher (88723291)
12.00 The Parliament Programmes presented by Anne Perkins and Sir

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12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Anne Perkins and Sir Robin Day (38272)
12.30 Noalr's Ark. The flourishing flora and fauna of a Peruvian city centre (r) (85678) 1.00 Sesame Street (r) (73833)
2.00 | Love Lucy (b/w). Vintage American comedy series staming Lucike Ball (3017)
3.00 Silvy Change of a Lifetime (1950, b/w).

2.30 Film: Chance of a Lifetime (1950, b/w).

 CHOICE: Strange that such an inoffensive, nay pleasant, little film as this could cause such a furore when the time came to get bookings for it. In essence, Bernard Miles's film is about a spot of bookings for it. In essence, Bernard Miles's film is about a spot of trouble at a factory, resulting in the management (Basil Radford) handing over the reins to the workers. "Communist propaganda!", frowned the Ministry of Labour. Not entertainment, and not enough stars in it to light a pitch-black coalhole, said the big cinema circuits, preferring the safe American product. They refused to give it screen time. Enter Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade. Enter, too, his film selection committee who had the power — rarely used — to order cinemas to show a film. Reluctantly, Rank showed the film. The resulting flop was practically audible (50027340)

4.10 The Three Stooges in Rooby Dupes (Inv.) (2634307)

4.30 Courntdown. The words and numbers game (s) (920)

5.00 Secret History. Drowning By Bullets. A repeat of Monday's documentary about a hushed-up massacre in Pans in October 1961. (Teletext) (6104)

6.00 Blossom, Comedy series starring Mayim Bialik as a teenaged girl in an otherwise all-male Los Angeles household (s) (185) 6.30 Tour de France, Stage 12 — Saint-Gervais to Mont Blanc, a distance of 280kms (765)

7.00 Channel 4 News with Dermot Murraghan and Zeinab Badawi in London and Jon Snow at the Democratic convention in New York. (Teletext) Weather (343475) 7.50 First Reaction (543017)



Caring for Aizhelmer's victims: Mavis Nicholson (8.30pm)

8.30 in With Mavis: The Home Carer.

 CHOICE: The sense of personal involvement that Mavis Nicholson always suggests in her interviews, even when there are no resonances in her own life of the problems she examines in others, is intensified in The Home Carer, the first in a series of revised repeats. She talks, first, to Ewart Myer whose wife Diana suffers from Alzheimer's disease, and then to her own sister Sylvia who cared for their mother — also an Alzheimer's victim, as was their father — until such time as there was no alternative but to put her into a home where she could receive the specialised treatment she needed, it is important, in Alzheimer's week, to have a programme like this which concentrates on the carers whose lives are so drastically re-routed by their heavy responsibilities. (Teletext)

8.55 Athletics continued from ITV (7774123) 10.00 Roseanne. More wise-cracking comedy. (Teletext) (s) (39901) 10.30 Hale and Pace. Comedy starring Gareth and Norman (r) (55949) 11.00 A Stab in the Dark. The week's news from an oblique angle provided by David Baddiel, Michael Gove and Tracey MacLeod (s)

11.30 Film: Road House (1948, b/w). Claustrophobic film noir about a psychopathic road house owner (Richard Widmark) who devises a victous revenge on his manager (Cornel Wilde) for taking too much nterest in the hotel's singer (Idia Lupino). Directed by Jean Negulesco (870543)

1.15am Twilight Zone: Dust (b/w) (1106437), Ends at 1.40

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2.55 Waxwork (1999; Evil lurks in a waxworks museum (260050) 4.30 Enemy Unseen (1989: African jungle adventure (70215), Ends at 6.00

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 6.00am Showcase (3429949) THE MOVIE CHANNEL Vis the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
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#### RADIO 3

6.55am Weather 7.00 On Air: Piers Burton-Page with music, news, weather and arts headlines. Including at 7.41 Schumann (Fairy Tales, Op 13.2), 8.41 Eigar (Serenade

or Strings) or Strings

9.00 Composers of the Week:
The Court of Frederick the
Great. C.P.E. Bach (Sonatina ir
D, Wq 109; Vienna Academy,
with Martin Haselböck and Franz Benda (Sonata in G Alme Parker, harpschord, Manfredo Zimmermann, flute); Quantz (Anoso, Flute Outantz (Anoso, Hitte Concerto No 116 in D: Eckart Haupt, Dresden Baroque Solosts); Agnicola (Del temeno, nel centro profondo, Achille in Scro: Berlin Chamber Orchestra under Max Pommer, with Jochen Kowalsk counter-tenor); Rechardt (Concerto in Gr Cappella Clementina under Helmut Müller-Brüht, with Ramer Kussmaul, violin, Roswitha Trimborn, harpsichordi A Mozart Sepuence Vien

10.00 A Mozart Sequence: Vienna Chamber Orchestra under Gyöngy Fischer, with Andras Gyöngy Fischer, with Andras Schiff, piano, Kin Te Kanawa, soprano, performs Variabons on "Unser dummer Pôbel meint", K 455; Vado, ma dowe? K 583; Piano Sonata in F. K 533 and K 494; Chi sa, chi sa, qual sa, K 582; Piano Sonata in A minor K 310! On Sa, qual Sa, K Sa2; Mano Sonata in A minor, K 310) 11.20 BBC Philharmonic in Kendal under Edward Downes performs Humperdinck (Overture, Harsel and Gretel); Arnold (Symphony No S. Op 74), Brahms (Piano Concerto No 2 in 8 flat John Lill) 1 00nm News

1.00pm News 1.05 Manchester Summer Recital Manchester Summer Nectial 1992: Live from the Concert Hall, New Broadcasting House. Reykjavir Wind Quintet performs Dania (Quintet in A, Op 68 No 1), Milhaud (La Cheminée du roi René), Thorkell Sigurbjornsson (Icelandic Folksongs), Hindemith (Kleine Kammermusik)

2.00 Soundings: Music at the court in exile of larnes II (ri 3.00 Youth Orchestras of the World: National Youth Orchestra of Scotland under

(Concerto for Percussion:
Evelyn Glennie); Mahler
(Symphony No 5 in C sharp
minor)
4.35 Debut: The pianist Lala
Moustafazade plays Scriabin
(Sonata No 10, Op 70); Lizst
(Mephisto Waltz No 1)
5.00 th Tune: Early evening music
presented by Michael Oliver,
who previews this weekend's
musical events musical events Proms 1992 — The First Night: The 98th season of Henry Wood Promenade

Henry Wood Promenade concerts, live from the Albert Hall, London, in the presence of the Princess of Wales. The BBC Symphony Orchestra under Andrew Davis; BBC Singers and the London Symphony Chorus under Stephen Jackson perform Verdi's Requiem. With Susan Dunn, soprano, Marjana Lipovsek, mezzo, Vinson Cole, tenor, Paul Pishka, bass. Simultaneous broadcast with BBC2

9.05 Book, Music and Lyrics: The Old Masters. Robert Cushman Old Masters. Robert Cushman presents a new six-part personal view of musicals, with songs from original cast recordings. Today's programme looks at lesser-known works, including the 1926 musical Peggy-Am by Rodgers and Hart, and concludes with songs from Sweet Bye and Bye, written by Al Hirshfield, S.J. Perelman, Ogden Nash and Vernon Duke 9.05 Martin Roscoe: The pranist plays Bach (Toccata In D, BWW 912); Nielsen (Chaconne, Op 32), Beethoven (32 Variations in C minor, WoO 80); Busoni (Toccata) (r)

in C. minor, WoO 80); Busoni (Toccala (r) 10.40 Music In Our Time: Paul Robinson introduces a studio recording by his ensemble, Harmonie Band. Django Bates (A Larch Explains Itself — first broadcast); Paul Robinson (The Faraday Wheel for solo plano — first broadcast); John White (The Idleburger Salsa); John Cage (Credo in US for ensemble and phonograph)

Cage (credo in US for ensemble and phonograph) 11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Weber (Sylvana Variations, Op 33; Kampf und Sieg; Bassoon Concerto in F, Op 75; Oberon — excerpts) (r)

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RADIO 4 (s) Stereo on FM 5.95am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 Yesterday in

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Classic Serial; La
Peste, by Albert Camus. First
of a two-part dramatisation by
Guy Meredith (s) (r)
3.00 Special Assignment
3.30 A Good Read: Edward Blishen
invites Massag Blochy and Lohn

3.30 A Good Read: Edward Bishen invites Maeve Binchy and John Walsh to talk about four paperbacks (s)
4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope visits the Spirit of the Earth festival m Birmingham; and meets the conductor John McGilmn (s)
4.45 Short Story: Leviathan, by Philip Ridley, Read by Richard Mitchley (f)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather
6.00 Stx O'Clock News
6.30 A Hack Goes West: Dylan Winter continues his 2,000-mile journey along the Oregon trail (s) (r)
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7.20 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serie (s)
8.05 Any Otherstory? Leviathan

7.20 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serie (s)
8.05 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby chairs a discussion in Llandudino, north Wales, between Janet Cohen, director of the Charterhouse Barrk and writer; Gareth Williams, Chairman of the Bar Council; Professor Robert Winston, professor of fertility studies, University of London; and Baroness Park
8.50 Law in Action, with Marcel Berlins

9.00 News
9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley's castaway is the camerarnan Mohamed Amin (s) (r)
9.45 The Village: Nigel Farrell presents the continuing real-life stories of Bentley in Hampshire
10.00-10.30 News; Gostling in the High Street (FM only)
• CHOICE: Ray Gostling moves on from suits to soups in his series on traders who changed our shopping habits. Albert Gubay got his idea for the name Kwik Save from a Colwyn Bay advertising agency and never looked back, piling groceries high and selling them cheap. Now he runs a property empire from the isle of Man bur still speaks affectionately of his first shop in Prestatyn where he undercut everyone in sight. He kept it simple because, as he says, "once you start building palaces you have to charge palace prices". A shrewd man, Albert Albert 10.00 Daily Service (LW only) 10.15 The Bible (LW only): The Second Letter of Paul to the

10.19 The Bulle (LW only): The Scoto Letter of Paul to the Connibians
10.30 Woman's Hour reports on status symbols, armed bank robberies and philanthropy, and talks to the violinist Jacqueline Ross. Incl 11,00 Manuse News 11.30 Natural History Programme presented by Jessica Holm 12.00 You and Youts, with John

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10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The Way of All Flesh, by Samuel Butler (final part)
11.00 Little Blighty on the Down: The second of five visits (s)
11.25 The Financial Week, with Heather Payton
11.45 Seasons in the Sun: A mindure of music and obscure archive events in a trivial celebration of the 1960s (s)
12.00-12.43 arc News, and 12.27
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Radio 2: FM-88-90.7. Radio 3: FM-90.2-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6. Radio 5: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m. LBC: 1152kHz/251m; FM-97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM-95.8. GLR: 1458kHz/206m; FM-94.9: World Service: MW-648kHz/463m.